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NASA's two stuck astronauts are headed back to Earth on Tuesday to close out a dramatic marathon mission that began with a bungled Boeing test flight more than nine months ago

THE HOMECOMING

Butch Wilmore and Indian-origin Sunita Williams bid farewell to the International Space Station, 'their home since last spring ' departing aboard a SpaceX capsule alongside two other astronauts

The mission took an unexpected turn in January when Trump asked SpaceX founder Elon Musk to accelerate their return

The capsule undocked shortly after 10.30 am IST and aimed for a splashdown off the Florida coast five hours later | **P12**

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HOPE AND DESPAIR

> **What's happening in Ukraine is not good, but we're going to see if we can work a peace agreement, a ceasefire and peace. And I think we'll be able to do it**
>
> US President Donald Trump

> **Even if the other side makes a gesture of some sort... you can expect them to find another way or putting pressure or putting a spoke in our wheel**
>
> Russian President Vladimir Putin

Russia agrees to pause strike on Ukraine targets

JAYANTH JACOB @New Delhi

RUSSIAN President Vladimir Putin on Monday agreed to stop striking energy targets in Ukraine for 30 days, Kremlin said. The commitment came during an extensive discussion over phone with US President Donald Trump. However, there was no agreement on a full-scale ceasefire as Putin set some conditions for the same.

"President Trump and President Putin spoke about the need for peace and a ceasefire in the Ukraine war. Both leaders agreed this conflict needs to end with a lasting peace. They also stressed the need for improved bilateral relations between the United States and Russia. The blood and treasure that both Ukraine and Russia have been spending in this war would be better spent on the needs of their people," a White House statement read.

It added that the two leaders agreed the movement to peace will begin with energy and infrastructure ceasefire, as well as technical negotiations on implementation of a maritime ceasefire in the Black Sea, full ceasefire and permanent peace. "These negotiations will begin immediately in the Middle East," the statement read.

Trump and Putin also agreed that a future with an improved bilateral relationship between the US and Russia has huge upside, the statement added.

The talks lasted for over two hours, Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov said.

This is the second time Trump and Putin have spoken over the phone since the former took office in January.

Meanwhile, Ukrainian Foreign Minister Andrii Sybiha said in New Delhi that Kyiv would not be an obstacle for a peace deal with Russia. Ukraine is waiting for clarity to emerge on the peace process after the conversation between Trump and Putin, he added.

Earlier in the day, Trump said he expected to discuss with Putin 'land and power plants' that have been seized during the grinding three-year war.

However, Ukraine President Volodymyr Zelenskyy's aide Andriy Yermak said Kyiv "will never recognise any occupied territory as Russian".

In preparation for the Trump-Putin call, White House special envoy Steve Witkoff met last week with Putin in Moscow, while Rubio persuaded Ukraine to agree to the ceasefire deal.

Putin earlier said he agreed in principle with the US proposal, but sought guarantees on Ukraine's actions.

US President Donald Trump and Russia's President Vladimir Putin (File photos) | AFP

An injured man being taken to the Al-Ahli hospital following overnight airstrikes by Israel across the Gaza Strip | AP

Ceasefire in the bin as Israeli airstrikes kill over 400 in Gaza

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ISRAEL launched airstrikes across the Gaza Strip early Tuesday killing at least 413 Palestinians, mostly women and children, and shattered a ceasefire in place since January with its deadliest bombardment in a 17-month asymmetrical war with Hamas.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu ordered the strikes after Hamas refused Israeli demands to change the ceasefire agreement. Officials said the operation was open-ended and was expected to expand. The Israeli military ordered people to evacuate eastern Gaza, including much of the northern town of Beit Hanoun and other communities further south, and head toward the centre of the territory, indicating that Israel could soon renew ground operations. "Israel will, from now on, act against Hamas with increasing military strength," it said.

The attack during Ramzan could signal the full resumption of a war that has already killed tens of thousands across Gaza. It also raised concerns about the fate of two dozen Israeli hostages held by Hamas believed to still be alive. After two months of calm, stunned Palestinians found themselves once again digging loved ones out of rubble and holding funeral prayers at morgues. "Nobody wants to fight," Palestinian Nidal Alzaanin said.

Gaza war mediator Qatar denounced Israel's onslaught. It warned that the attack will ignite the region. Hamas said the head of its government in Gaza, Essam al-Dalis, was among top officials killed in the strikes, along with interior ministry head Mahmud Abu Watfa and Bahjat Abu Sultan, Gaza's internal security chief.

The White House said it had been consulted and voiced support for Israel's actions. US President Donald Trump and his Russian counterpart Vladimir Putin said Iran should never be in a position to destroy Israel.

Hamas calls out the US

Hamas leader Sami Abu Zuhri told AFP the strikes were an attempt to force the group's "surrender", and called the United States "complicit" in the escalation

4% quota for minorities: Bill tabled in House, BJP opposes it

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KARNATAKA Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister HK Patil on Tuesday tabled the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurements (Amendment) Bill, 2025, in the Assembly to provide 4% reservation for people, including Muslims and other minorities, under Category 2B of Backward Classes while awarding government contracts for civil works.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah had announced this reservation in the state budget amid objections by Opposition parties, which termed it appeasement politics.

The Bill states that it is necessary to amend the KTPP Act, 1999, to give effect to the proposals made in the budget for 2025-26 with a view to overcoming the unemployment problem. This reservation is being provided to overcome the unemployment problem among the Backward Classes and to encourage their participation in government civil works. It allows 4% reservation in contracts for those from Backward Classes (2B) in civil works worth up to Rs 2 crore and service contracts worth up to Rs 1 crore. **P4**

A democratic country must not function like a police state: SC

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY
@New Delhi

EXPRESSING dismay over the habit of trial courts and high courts denying bail in minor cases despite completion of investigation, the Supreme Court said that the practice is unacceptable in a democratic country and that it creates unnecessary strain on the higher judiciary.

"A democratic country must not function like a police state, where law enforcement agencies exercise arbitrary powers to detain individuals without genuine necessity," a bench of justices Abhay S Oka and Ujjal Bhuyan said on Monday while granting bail to an accused who had been in custody for over two years in a cheating case.

The accused had moved the top court after his bail plea was mechanically rejected by both the trial court and the Gujarat High Court, despite the investigation being completed and a chargesheet filed.

The Supreme Court has time and again held that bail, not jail, is the rule.

Questioning the repeated rejection of bail pleas by lower courts, the SC observed that two decades ago, bail pleas in smaller cases rarely reached the high courts, let alone the apex court. Now, bail matters that should have been disposed of by magistrates are being brought before the SC, it said.

"It is shocking that the Supreme Court is adjudicating bail pleas in cases that should be disposed of at the trial court level. The system is being burdened unnecessarily," Justice Oka said.

Bail, not jail, is the norm

The Supreme Court has on numerous times urged lower courts to adopt a more liberal stance in granting bail, particularly in cases of minor infractions

> **Bail matters in cases triable by magistrates are being brought before the SC... People are not getting bail when they should**
>
> Justice Abhay Oka

EXPRESS READ

Telangana Assembly passes SC categorisation Bill

Hyderabad: The Telangana Assembly on Tuesday passed The Telangana SCs (Rationalisation of Reservations) Bill, 2025. The bill sub-categorises the constitutionally mandated 15% reservations for SCs by classifying 59 subcastes into three groups—Group 1, 2 & 3—allocating 1%, 9%, and 5% reservations, respectively | **P5**

Kannada Okkoota calls for Karnataka bandh on March 22

Bengaluru: Kannada Okkoota, an umbrella organisation of Kannada groups, confirmed on Tuesday that the Karnataka bandh will be observed on Saturday. The bandh has been called to condemn the alleged oppression of Kannadigas in Belagavi and the assault on a state-run bus conductor for not speaking Marathi | **P5**

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• **Wednesday:** 19.03.2025 • **Year:** Krodhi • **Ayana:** Uttarayana
• **Ritu:** Sishira • **Masa:** Phalguna • **Paksha:** Krishna • **Tithi:** Panchami 8.41 pm
• **Nakshatra:** Vishaka 5.28 pm • Moon in Vrischika Rashi • **Rahukaala:** 12:00 pm to 01:30pm
• **Gulikakala:** 10:30 am to 12:00 pm • **Yamaganda:** 07:30 am to 09:00 am

WEATHER

MIN	MAX
21°C	34°C

FORECAST Mostly sunny

Sunrise	06.24 am
Sunset	06.30 pm
Moonrise	10.34 pm
Moonset	09.22 am

Bengaluru, Cape Town to be partner cities, says Priyank

S African team on 2-day visit to city, discusses collaboration in tech, tourism

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KARNATAKA IT-BT and RDPR Minister Priyank Kharge on Tuesday said India and South Africa have a strong history and many commonalities. The relationship between the two countries can be further strengthened with a partnership on sharing best practices and knowledge.

After holding an interaction with a team of delegates led by Alderman James Vos, Mayoral Committee Member for Economic Growth and Tourism, Cape Town, in Bengaluru, Kharge said he proposes to start a partnership between Bengaluru and Cape Town under the larger Global Innovation Programmes and look into the multiple ways in which the two cities could benefit. He said he was looking forward for exploring how these two cities can share best practices and innovation technologies.

The team from Cape Town along with officials and business partners, CapeBPO and Cape Town Tourism visited Bengaluru for two days. During the visit, the delegation discussed collaboration in technology, BPO and tourism.

Vos said the objective is to forge strong partnerships to create job opportunities. As Cape Town is a growing city, the best innovative solutions can be adopted to channelise the city's economic growth. India's dynamic BPO and tech industries complement Cape Town's strengths and this will improve investment opportunities and enhance trade and tourism, he added. The meeting with GCCs and IT-BT sector was organised by MoveInSync, a Bengaluru-based employee commute platform, also working in Cape Town; and Moar Advisor, a strategic enabler.

Direct flights to link both cities?

Alderman James Vos, Mayoral Committee Member for Economic Growth and Tourism, Cape Town, said that the delegation will conduct a meeting with Air India and other tourism stake holders, including travel agencies in the coming days, to have direct flights from Bengaluru and Mumbai to Cape Town. Annually, around one lakh tourists from India visit South Africa. He said discussions are also on to ease the visa process with e-visa or visa on arrival.

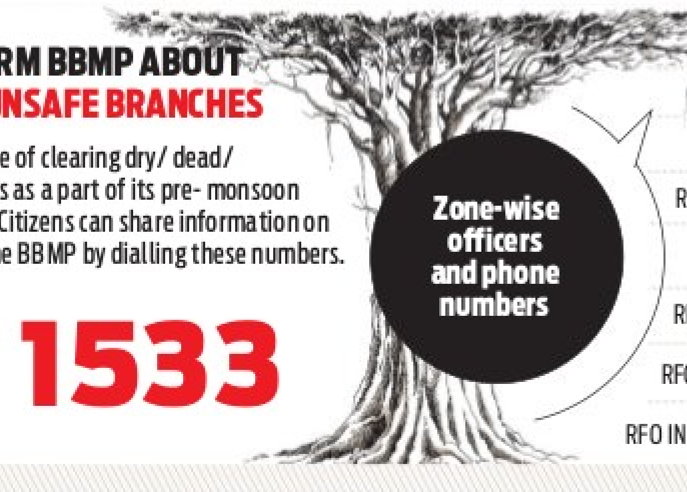
'B'luru can learn from Cape Town's water management'

A delegation from Cape Town in South Africa was in Bengaluru for the last two days, not just to learn the best from the city for employment, IT and ITES, but also for sharing their best practices on water and energy conservation. Cape Town in South Africa had recently made global headlines because of its severe water crisis. Now the city is in news again. But this time as a case study on water management, said Alderman James Vos, Mayoral Committee Member for Economic Growth and Tourism, Cape Town. Speaking to *TNIE* during his two day visit to the city on Tuesday, he said, "We are an example for all global cities to learn on how to manage water. We are the only city to have reduced water consumption by half to mitigate the crisis. A dashboard was created for live streaming the water situation and a benchmark was set. If the water levels dropped below 19%, then supply will be stopped. A simple method of the government maintaining transparency and involving citizens helped mitigate the crisis." This comes at a time when Bengaluru is also staring at a water crisis and measures are being done to ensure the 2024 water crises does not repeat this year. This financial year, a large budget allocation was done for water management. The government is also working extensively to replace old pipes and ensure zero leakage, new water extraction technologies through aquifers is being worked upon, waste water treatment plants are being set up and rain water harvesting is mandated.

NOW YOU CAN INFORM BBMP ABOUT DRY, DEAD TREES, UNSAFE BRANCHES

BBMP has started the exercise of clearing dry/ dead/ dangerous trees and branches as a part of its pre- monsoon and monsoon preparedness. Citizens can share information on such trees and branches to the BBMP by dialling these numbers.

Citizens can dial helpline **1533**



Zone-wise officers and phone numbers

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RFO IN-CHARGE (WEST) SUDARSHAN	9480684431
RFO IN-CHARGE (SOUTH) CHANDRAPPA	9164042566
RFO IN-CHARGE RAJAPPA KN (DASARAHALLI)	9448234928
RFO IN-CHARGE (BOMMANAHALLI) NARENDRA BABU	9480685399
RFO IN-CHARGE (YELAHANKA) MAHESH JR	9480685539
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WELCOME, KING OF FRUITS

With summer arriving, markets are flooded with mangoes. Vendors wait for customers on Jayamahal Main Road on a sunny Friday afteroon | **ALLEN EGENUSE J**

Plea against Cauvery Aarti at Sankey Tank

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A public interest petitioner moved the Karnataka High Court, alleging that various events to be conducted as part of the proposed Cauvery Aarti inside Sankey Tank to be held on March 21 night will affect birds and temporary or permanent structures to be put up in the lake's buffer zone is against the law.

When the matter was mentioned on Tuesday for urgent hearing, the division bench of Chief Justice NV Anjaria and Justice MI Arun asked the peitioner's counsel to file an interlocutory application so that the bench can hear it.

Advocate GR Mohan, representing Geetha Misra who filed a public interest litigation in 2019 on the protection of water bodies, mentioned before the court that they are not against the aarti, but are against the activities inside the lake that are against the law. Even erecting temporary constructions in the buffer zone is against the law and activities of the proposed event to be conducted by the Bengaluru Water Supply and Sewerage Board will affect the nightlife of birds at the lake, he alleged.

The petitioner contended that the event is a gross violation of the provisions of the Karnataka Tank Conservation and Development Authority Act. The recreation activities planned and being advertised would cause immense disturbance to birds housed at Sankey Tank. A direction should be issued to the authorities concerned, including BWSSB, to stop the activities inside the buffer zone, the petitioner prayed the court.

Appu's aunt doesn't know, waits for *kanda* in Gajanur

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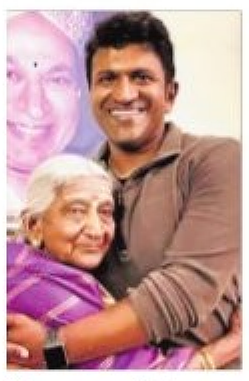
NAGAMMA, 93, who is the sister of Kannada matinee idol Dr Rajkumar, continues to long to have a word with 'Power Star' Puneeth Rajkumar. The star died of a massive heart attack on October 29, 2021, at the age of 46. However, Nagamma's wait for her nephew to pay her a visit at their ancestral house in Gajanur continues as she is still not aware the star is no more.



Nagamma with her nephew Puneeth Rajkumar | **FILE**

The family members have not informed or shared the tragic news of Puneeth's death with Nagamma. She expressed her desire to wish Puneeth on his 50th birthday on March 17.

As she is under nursing care in a separate room in Gajanur, Nagamma pleads for Appu to visit her once. "*Kanda* I want to meet you," she appealed in a video wishing Puneeth on his 50th birthday which has gone viral.

"I want to meet you. I want to see you. During the *Bhoomige Banda Bagavantha* shooting, Puneeth was surrounded by foreigners and the producer cancelled the shooting for the day," she recalled. Nagamma is not allowed to watch television or read newspaper. The family members told Nagamma that Puneeth is busy with shooting. Puneeth's brother and actor Shivarajkumar and his wife Geetha had visited their ancestral house recently and met Nagamma and others.

EXPRESS READ

Online Balance Confirmation Certificate by Canara Bank

Bengaluru: To enhance efficiency and eliminate manual processes, Canara Bank has become the first bank to offer an online Digital Balance Confirmation Certificate through the PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd portal. This initiative significantly reduces the time required for auditors to complete the auditing process by replacing the traditional manual approach with a seamless digital solution. The common portal, https://digitalbalanceconfirmation.com, ensures a secure and efficient process for customers.

Sale of 4 crops to be shifted to Dasanapura from Y'pur APMC

Bengaluru: Trading of four agricultural products — onion, potato, garlic, and ginger — will be shifted from the Yeshwanthpur APMC (Agricultural Produce Market Committee) to the sub-market at Dasanapura, near Huskur, off Nelamangala Road, said Minister for Textiles, Sugarcane Development and APMC Shivanand Patil. He was replying to MLC M Nagaraju's question in the Legislative Council on the measures taken by the State Government to reduce vehicle congestion at Yeshwanthpur APMC.

BBMP officials told to complete all civil works before Karaga

Bengaluru: BBMP Special Commissioner (Administration) Avinash Menon Rajendran on Tuesday directed the engineers and officials concerned to complete all civil works, including white topping of roads and laying of cables and pipes near the Dharmarayaswamy Temple, before the commencement of the Bengaluru Karaga. The Karaga this year will be held from April 4 to 14. Rajendran held a meeting where he laid emphasis on making provisions for adequate water supply and sanitation facilities.

'Beyond Screens' launched, will tackle digital addiction

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INDIA'S first industry-led digital detox initiative 'Beyond Screens' was launched in the state to promote responsible gaming and digital consumption by the Department of Electronics, IT, Biotechnology, and Science and Technology, in collaboration with the All India Gaming Federation (AIGF). The initiative aims to combat digital dependency by encouraging balanced technology use and addressing the challenge of digital addiction.

IT-BT Minister Priyank Kharge announced the initiative during GAFX 2025 (Games, Animation and Visual Effects), and on Tuesday inaugurated the 'Beyond Screens' digital detox centre and official website. The initiative was developed with Kahamind Healthcare Private Limited. The centre will serve as a dedicated hub for resources, counselling and intervention programmes for healthier digital habits.

According to a release, 'Beyond Screens' will help individuals struggling with digital addiction. With a strong focus on education, support and empowerment, it aims to provide solutions through short, medium, and long-term programmes. Key goals include raising awareness on excessive digital use and its impact, supporting individuals achieve healthier digital habits and developing strategies to address the issue at the individual and community levels.

"As a firm believer in balance in our digital lives, I always say, 'sunlight before screen light'. 'Beyond Screens' is our commitment to promote responsible digital consumption and ensure the well-being of our citizens. The initiative will address the often-ignored challenges of digital addiction by providing structured support, raising awareness and integrating digital wellness into mainstream healthcare," Kharge said.

Roland Landers, CEO of AIGF, stated, "As the oldest and largest industry body for online gaming in India, AIGF has always been committed to fostering a safe, responsible and sustainable digital ecosystem."

BMRCL cancels job notification for loco pilots

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BENGALURU Metro on Monday (March 17) withdrew its notification on the recruitment of 50 experienced Train Operators. It came after a backlash from the Kannada Development Authority objecting to the move to permit those without knowledge of Kannada to join the BMRCL, followed by a directive from Bengaluru Development Minister DK Shivakumar to take a relook at its notification.

A communication signed by the General Manager (HR) of BMRCL said, "The recruitment notification dated March 12, 2025, for recruitment of 50 posts of Train Operators on contract basis in BMRCL is withdrawn."

The minister posted the notice on X stating, "Namma jana for Namma Metro. The recent BMRCL recruitment for Train Operators (Loco Pilots) requiring minimum of 3 years has been withdrawn. Our government stands firm on justice & fair representation -- empowering Kannadigas and securing their rightful place."

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

19th March : The Moon moves on, once again occupying a critical position from the international perspective. Events are moving so fast that I hesitate to make a prediction. What I'll do is come back to my constant theme, which is that astrology breeds tolerance and that the best thing we can do is bend over backwards to understand other people's opinions and points of view.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
I am afraid that not everyone has your high standards. The only way to survive will be to accept that, just for now, the rest of the world is out of step with your lofty expectations. Don't be too hard on other people, though. Perhaps they just can't help it!

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Today's powerful Moon piles on the pressure - and that's a good thing! Everything depends on your sense of timing and it's vital that you instinctively know when to stand firm and when to compromise. Only you can take these decisions, so there is no reason to sit around while other people make up their minds.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
Your resilience may be eroded, if only because you could do with a rest. Yet, there is much that you can do to help yourself, like standing aside from battles you can't win. After all, there's no reason why you should waste your energy on people who don't deserve it.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
The Moon blazes brilliantly in parts of your chart best known for their influence over cultural, creative and artistic proclivities. Perhaps it's time for a spot of self-improvement. It's certainly the moment for a few dramatic gestures: you still have the capacity to issue some big surprises.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
You'll put the maximum effort into domestic and family relationships, perhaps because your instincts tell you that partners need to be placated. Many of you will be reviving plans for a move of home, or at least for substantial reforms, but others must be fully consulted.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
Your words of wisdom will be highly valued - for once. You could try to bring your clear approach to all tangled emotional problems, both helping yourself and assisting others in their efforts to free themselves from excessively complicated situations.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
Rather than concentrating exclusively on the details of your savings and bank balance, get to grips with the deeper issues. For example, what is it exactly that you need to make you feel materially secure? A profound question, I know, but no less necessary for all that.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
A spectacular relationship between Neptune and the Moon could soon set the cat among the pigeons. Welcome changes are in line for some of you, but many will experience no more than maddening obstruction from partners. In the meantime, stay out of trouble!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
Don't let all that current tension get to you physically. Why not spare a little thought for your body and see to it that your diet and exercise are exactly what is needed? If there's room for improvement, make the necessary moves without undue delay.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
I don't think there's any use in going it alone. Indeed, so powerful are the social trends in your solar chart that you may do best to abandon some of your own plans and fall in with others' arrangements. You may fear rejection, but there will always be room for you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
A series of spectacular aspects is soon due to raise questions about your private life. In particular, it seems that either you have been reluctant to commit yourself, or that you have done so on the basis of false information. All will become clear before long.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
This is now a period of maximum solar energy. You stand to benefit both personally and professionally, even though your mood may be a little unpredictable. Insensitive people may be even more irritating than normal, but you can always do the Piscean thing and slip away.

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Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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TEST YOUR NUMBER CRUNCHING SKILL WITH OUR UNIQUE PUZZLE

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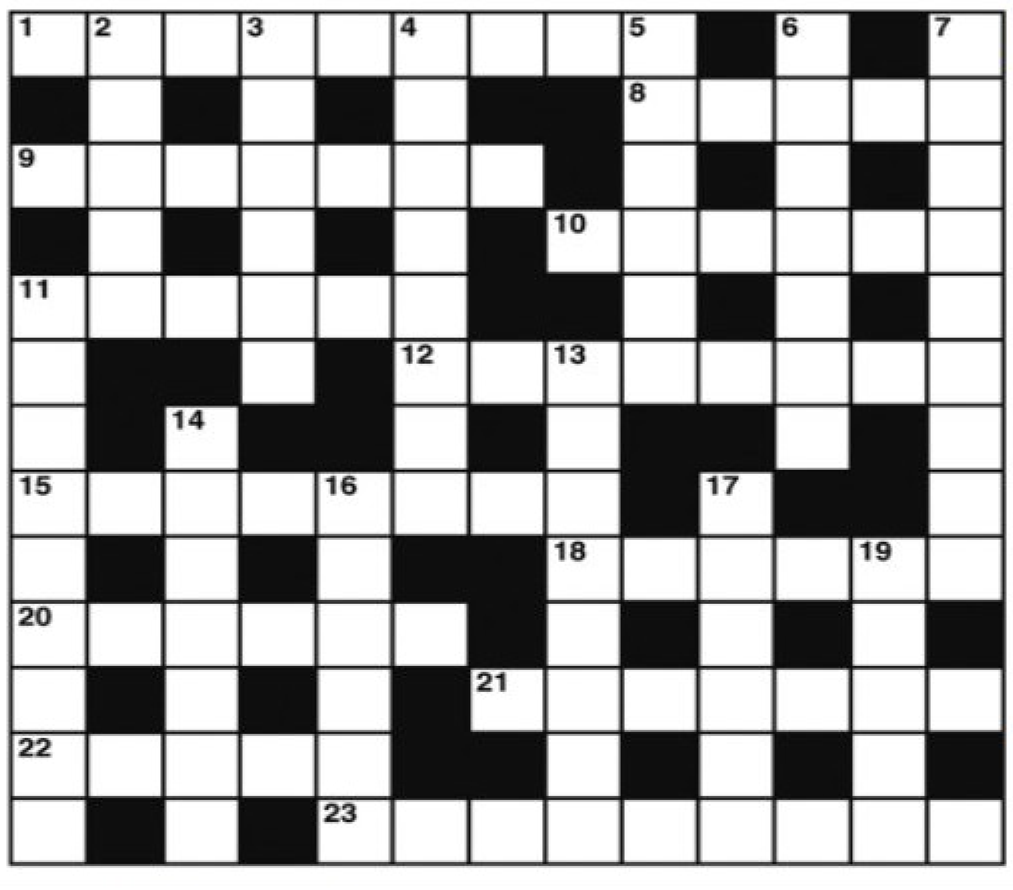

CROSS WORD

ACROSS

1 Pack horse used around States (9)
8 Soldiers from Tunis (5)
9 Refuse to vote putting Jack on the spot (7)
10 Team held by mother to be the tops (6)
11 There's some point in this system (6)
12 This year is set for emotional outburst (8)
15 The culprit's proposal about the outcome (8)
18 Wild cats in comical capers (6)
20 For each expert a pastry dish is brought in (6)
21 Lack of faith in humanity (7)
22 Draw cheque (5)
23 A shaver that's gone rusty somehow (9)

DOWN

2 Mabel changes to take a stroll (5)
3 Not a bit of it! (6)
4 Good man had an urge and joined up (8)
5 UK lifted delay for Gulf state (6)
6 I arrive all dishevelled in the South of France (7)
7 Make sweet turnover to follow a spring vegetable (9)
11 Many raise capital and a number of notes (9)
13 Narrow gauge train set spread out (8)
14 Movie queen from the continent (7)
16 Fastidiousness for exactness (6)
17 Puts banknotes into circulation so one says (6)
19 Class distinction (5)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Seconds, 4 Berth, 7 Able, 8 Armrests, 10 Fast bowler, 12 Placid, 13 Twinge, 15 Red herring, 18 Forwards, 19 Rose, 20 Cable, 21 Supreme.

Down: 1 Staff, 2 Coleslaw, 3 Shrewd, 4 Barbed wire, 5 Ruse, 6 Hostage, 9 Obliterate, 11 Antigone, 12 Pacific, 14 Shades, 16 Geese, 17 Crab.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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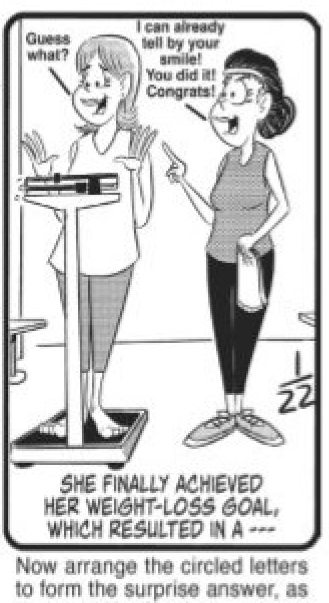

Guess what?
I can already tell by your smile! You did it! Congrats!
1/22

SHE FINALLY ACHIEVED HER WEIGHT-LOSS GOAL, WHICH RESULTED IN A ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Ans. here:

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's | Jumbles: VITAL BERRY DOUBLE TRENDY
Answer: After all the pillaging and plundering, he thought maybe being a pirate was — "OVER-RAIDED"

The Karnataka High Court has entrusted the murder case of M Srinivas, former president of the Kolar Zilla Panchayat, to the Central Bureau of Investigation and submit the final report within an outer limit of three months to the trial court

Ranya's 4 overseas visits in 15 days raised DRI alarm

Actress' last four visits lasted from 24 to 48 hours, say sources

BALA CHAUHAN @Bengaluru

SANDALWOOD actress Harshvardini Ranya alias Ranya Rao (33) may have escaped scrutiny of the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI), Bengaluru, after she renewed her passport in January this year but for her almost back-to-back, and very-short-duration overseas visits in the fortnight preceding her arrest on March 3. Her last four visits reportedly lasted between 24 and 48 hours, said sources on condition of anonymity. "In fact, she had left for Dubai on March 3 by Emirates early morning flight and returned to Bengaluru the same evening. She walked through the green channel without declaring the gold to the Customs officials and was intercepted by DRI at the exit of the green channel," added sources.

Ranya was arrested on the night of March 3 at the Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) by the DRI under Customs Act, 1962 for smuggling 14.2 kg of gold worth Rs 12.56 crore. There were 14 gold bars, each weighing 1 kg, strapped on her thighs with tape and bandages. The next day, on March 4, the DRI recovered gold jewellery worth Rs 2.06 crore and Rs 2.67 crore in cash from her house - No 62, Nandwani Mansion in upscale Lavelle Road - during the raids. The total seizure in the case amounted to Rs 17.29 crore, including assets worth Rs 4.73 crore.

Though Ranya, at present lodged in judicial custody in the Bangalore Central Prison, in a handwritten letter to the Additional Director General (ADG), DRI, Bengaluru has claimed innocence and that she is being fabricated in a false gold smuggling case, the DRI in their arrest memo of Ranya had claimed that the agency had recovered two Dubai Customs declarations dated November 13, 2024, and December 20, 2024, from her residence on Lavelle Road. "The documents showed that the Ranya had declared that they intended to travel to Geneva with the said gold, but diverted and came to India," read the arrest memo.

A frequent flier, Ranya has visited Dubai and some other countries 25 times in the last one year and four times in the fortnight preceding her arrest. "She holds a resident identity of the United Arab Emirates (UAE), and reportedly owns a company 'Vira Diamonds' in Dubai, because of which she may have got the resident ID. She seems to have used her business identity for her frequent travels overseas," sources claimed.

The second accused in the case, hotelier Tarun Raju, who is said to be a business associate of Ranya, was arrested on March 9 for allegedly assisting her in gold smuggling. He has been remanded in judicial custody till March 24.

Did Ranya pay through hawala? Probe on

Modes of payment for the contraband gold is at the core of investigation by the DRI and Directorate of Enforcement (ED) in the Ranya Rao gold smuggling case. The suspicion is that money for the smuggled gold has been paid through hawala -- an informal and illegal cash transfer. Hawala transactions in India are illegal under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) and Foreign Exchange Management Act (FEMA). "Earlier, a cut note was used to establish the identity of the recipient, the other portion of the note used to be with the hawaladar (carrier). Now it's a proper Rs 10 note, a picture of which is previously shared with the sender and the hawaladar on WhatsApp. Once the beneficiary receives the money, the note is destroyed," said sources. Investigating hawala transactions is an extremely challenging job as there are no books of records maintained. It's a close network based on trust.

Bail plea of 2nd accused adjourned for today

Bengaluru: The Economic Offenses Court on Tuesday adjourned the bail application of Tarun Raj, who was arrested along with actress Ranya Rao in the gold smuggling case, to Wednesday. Tarun is accused of facilitating the purchase of gold in Dubai. The bail plea of Ranya Rao will also be heard on Wednesday.

LOST VIBES

Garbage lies uncleared on a footpath near Guddadahalli on Mysore Road on Tuesday due to disruption in door-to-door collection | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

Victoria hosp to get organ retrieval centre

Bengaluru: Victoria Hospital is all set to become the first government hospital in South India to have an organ retrieval centre. The Karnataka Medical Education Department has allocated Rs 1 crore to upgrade existing facilities and establish the centre, which is expected to be operational within four to six months. The centre aims to ensure that organs retrieved will be prioritised for government transplant centres, benefiting the poor and underprivileged patients. This, according to officials, will streamline organ retrieval and allocation. **ENS**

UNSAFE STREETS

Two die as earthmover pulls down power pole

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TWO women, one of them pregnant, died on the spot when an electric pole collapsed on them on Suddaguntepalya main road in Baiyappanahalli police limits on Monday evening.

The deceased have been identified as Sumati, 35, and Soni Kumari, 35, residents of Suddaguntepalya. Sumati, who hailed from Tamil Nadu, worked as a housekeeper, and Kumari from Bihar was a housewife.

Soni was four-month pregnant and had two children. Sumati lived with her husband and two children. The incident occurred when Sumati and Soni were returning home along with their children from tuition classes around 6.30 pm.

Wires from the electric pole got entangled with an excavator engaged in Suddaguntepalya main road repair work. Raj Kumar alias Raju, 29, the driver of the excavator, was wearing earphones and could not hear the screams of the people to stop his vehicle.

The electric pole fell on the two women when the excavator dragged the wires further. Their children escaped with minor injuries as they were walking a few yards away from them. Police arrested Raj Kumar and seized his vehicle.

According to the police, the excavator was engaged to dig and fill trenches as part of the road repair work. The police have registered a case of death due to negligence against the excavator driver.

Woman Cong worker accuses party leader Revanna of attacking her

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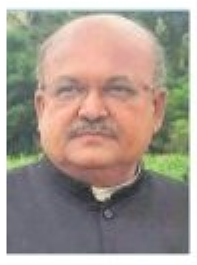

FORMER minister and senior Congress leader **HM Revanna** has been accused of abusing and attackinga woman Congress worker at Kumara Krupa guest house on Kumara Krupa Road on Monday. The woman has filed a complaint against Revanna, who is also president of the Guarantee Implementation Committee, with the High Grounds police, who registered a non-cognisable report.

Speaking to the media, the complainant, Nandini Nagaraj, said Revanna had verbally abused her in November last year and had made casteist remarks. "I have the audio recording to support my allegations against him. Since then I could not meet him. On Monday around 3.30 pm, I had gone to the guest house and saw him having lunch. I questioned him for using vulgar words. Revanna attacked me and also twisted my finger. I went to a nearby hospital and got treatment," she alleged.

The woman recorded her interaction with Revanna on her phone. In a video clip that is doing the rounds on social media, Revanna can be seen trying to snatch her phone. She can also be heard telling him that she will complain to the party high command.

She also claimed that another senior Congress leader, Ugrappa, who witnessed the attack, stood a mute spectator and did not support her.

On Tuesday, Nandini also filed a complaint against Revanna with the Karnataka State Commission for Women. Further investigations are on.

EXPRESS READ

Cops suspended for attacking pillion rider

Bengaluru: The police sub-inspector and constable of Vijayanagar traffic police station have been suspended for reportedly attacking a pillion rider for refusing to give them Rs 3,000 as bribe. The pillion rider has accused the two policemen -- sub-inspector Shantharamaiah and constable Sadiq -- of assaulting him and demanding money to avoid payment of Rs 10,000 as fine after stopping him and the bike rider for drunk driving near GT Mall on Friday night. Based on a complaint, the DCP, Traffic (West), instructed the Vijayanagar traffic sub-division ACP to conduct an inquiry. After inquiry, both policemen were suspended on Monday. **ENS**

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Horticulture Minister S S Mallikarjun said they are awaiting a report from the South Western Railways to restart the toy train at the Raja's Seat (Seat of the King) in Madikeri. "We requested the South Western Railways to conduct a site inspection and give an estimate for the installation of new railway tracks, bogies and engines to operate the toy train and they are yet to submit the report. The toy train will be restarted after we go through the report," he said

● Siddaramaiah says all dues will be cleared by next year ● BJP members walk out of Council, says they are not happy with his reply

CM CONFIDENT HE WILL PRESENT SURPLUS BUDGET NEXT YEAR

CM Siddaramaiah responds during a debate in the Council | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

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CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah on Tuesday expressed confidence that he will present a revenue surplus budget next year.

During his response to the debate on the Governor's address, he informed the legislative Council that the state's finances are good despite implementing the five guarantee schemes effectively. But BJP members pointed out that the state, which was revenue surplus during its regime, is seeing a deficit budget for the last two years.

Admitting that he presented a revenue deficit budget, Siddaramaiah said, "I am 100% confident that I will present a revenue surplus budget next year." Noting that the deficit had reduced from Rs 27,000 crore to Rs 19,262 crore this year, the CM said he has fulfilled two of the three yardsticks laid down in the Karnataka Fiscal Responsibility Act 2002 - keeping the fiscal deficit within 3% of GSDP and limiting total liabilities to 25% of GSDP. Now, total liabilities of the state are 24.95 per cent of the GSDP and the BJP members noted that it was on the borderline.

He defended that the per capita income of the state has increased. In the Bengaluru division, the per capita income was Rs 4,58,789 in 2022-23 and it increased to Rs 5,01383 in 2023-24. Similarly, it has increased in Belagavi, Kalaburagi and other regions as well, he added.

As the opposition tried to corner him over not paying incentives to the tune of Rs 700 crore to milk producers, he rebutted, saying the previous BJP government had not paid Rs 600 crore. He announced that all dues will be cleared by next year and that the incentive will be increased from Rs 5 to Rs 7 as promised in the Congress manifesto.

Then, opposition members staged a walkout, saying they were not happy with the CM's reply. The House also witnessed a heated argument between members of the ruling and the opposition parties when the CM alleged that the central BJP government had waived off corporate loans. The BJP members said it was not waiving off loans but writing off.

We can ask KPSC members to behave, says HK Patil

Law Minister HK Patil on Tuesday said when ministers make mistakes, opposition parties question their conscientiousness. "But when these Karnataka Public Service Commission members make mistakes, constitutional provisions do not allow us to rectify them," he said. The Karnataka Public Service Commission (Conduct of Business and Additional Functions) (Amendment) Bill, 2025 was passed in the Assembly on Tuesday. It makes a provision to interview candidates even if there is a 50 per cent quorum of KPSC members, including the chairman, at meetings. Patil said the state government has no provision to remove KPSC members. "If the House agrees, we can question them about their conscientiousness and ask them to behave," he said.

'Ministers skipping session damage govt's reputation'

Expressing displeasure over a majority of ministers skipping the House session, Assembly Speaker UT Khader said these lawmakers are damaging the government's reputation. "If you don't want to sit here, why did you become a minister?" he asked. The Speaker's comments came when opposition BJP members objected to the absence of ministers and pointed to the empty chairs to make their point. When Leader of the Opposition R Ashoka was speaking on the law and order situation in the state, Karkala MLA Sunil Kumar objected and asked whom they should talk to. Following this, many BJP MLAs also objected.The Speaker concurred with the Opposition members, saying it is unacceptable if ministers stay absent.

17.15% quota for SCs, 6.95% for STs

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THE Bill provides for 17.15% reservation to the SCs, 6.95% to the STs, 4% each to Other Backward Classes Category - 1 and Category - II B and 15% to Category II (A). It says if no persons belonging to these categories participate in the tendering process, they may be awarded to others. At the recent cabinet meeting, the government decided to table the Bill in the legislature to provide 4% reservation under the 2B category for Muslims while awarding contracts to implement development projects. When the Bill was tabled in the House, BJP legislators opposed it and termed it appeasement politics. They called it unconstitutional and a misadventure by the government.

'Halal budget' isolates Muslims from mainstream, BJP tells CM

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OPPOSITION BJP legislators in the Assembly continued to attack Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's budget on Tuesday as a "halal budget" that appeased the Muslim community with an allocation of Rs 4,000 crore. Senior leader Araga Jnanendra alleged that the budget will push the state into a debt trap as it has borrowed Rs 1.16 lakh crore, and total liabilities have increased to Rs 7.64 crore.

Citing the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the 2024-25 budget, he alleged that the CM has tactfully created an illusion with Rs 4.09 lakh crore outlay, and most of the announcements will not get realised. Congress legislators KM Shivalinge Gowda and K Shadakshari argued that the ATR has no mention of projects in progress, and will reflect the entire spend only after the financial year ends in March. Speaker UT Khader said the ATR is a preliminary one and a complete report will come later.

Araga also criticised the Rs 100-crore allocation to set up Maulana Azad Public Schools. "Why should there be schools based on religion and caste when we want the state to be a 'sarva janangada shantiya tota' (garden of all communities). Children should study in a diverse environment but a separate school will further isolate Muslims," he said.

Deputy Leader of Opposition Arvind Bellad termed it a "halal budget" that keeps Muslims in isolation. "You are borrowing a huge loan of Rs 1.16 lakh crore to feed biryani. The budget is a halal budget... it is not beneficial for Muslims," he alleged. "The state has borrowed to spend. Rs 40,000 crore revenue is expected from excise, and Rs 36,000 crore will come from alcohol, which is mostly consumed by the poor. This will cause harm to Karnataka."

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>
> Araga Jnanendra, BJP leader and former home minister

Ban alcohol, Priyank challenges BJP

RDPR Minister Priyank Kharge condemned Bellad's statement that it is not good to depend on excise revenue, and challenged the BJP to bring in a resolution to ban alcohol. Deputy Chairperson of the Planning Commission BR Patil suggested that the BJP pressure the Centre to impose a blanket ban on liquor. "CM Siddaramaiah had sent a team to study Bihar, where the government has banned liquor. But it was only 70 per cent successful. States cannot impose a ban as it will result in spurious liquor and hooch," he suggested.

IT companies exploiting staffers

Bellad alleged that IT companies that give money as CSR funds are exploiting their employees by paying them very low salaries. "This is violation of the law. Recently, an IT company in Mysuru fired its trainee employees," he said.

Even a newborn in K'taka has debt burden: Chalavadi

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CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah has presented the budget 16 times and calls himself an expert, but in the past three years, the state has taken a loan of Rs 3.07 lakh crore, Leader of Opposition in the Council Chalavadi Narayanaswamy said on Tuesday.

As a result of this loan, even a newborn child in the state has a debt burden of Rs 1 lakh on its head. The budgets presented by Siddaramaiah have pushed the state towards bankruptcy, he said.

Discussing the recently presented state budget by Siddaramaiah, Narayanaswamy said, "The development in the state is zero. The government has a total debt of approximately Rs 7 lakh crore so far."

Citing the statistics, he said, "In 2023-24, the revenue estimate was Rs 1,75,000 crore while the actual collection was Rs 1,61,000, leading to a deficit of Rs 14,000 crore (8% less). In 2024-25, the revenue estimate was Rs 1,89,893 crore while the actual collection was Rs 1,80,368 crore, leading to a deficit of Rs 9,525 crore (5.1% less). Despite the state's revenue lagging behind its actual collection, in 2025-26, the CM presented a budget with a revenue estimation is Rs 2.08 lakh crore and that there will be additional revenue of 15 per cent. A debt of Rs 1,16,000 crore is shown in the budget."

Congress members respond to the BJP in the Council on Tuesday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

He said Siddaramaiah has cleverly kept the state in debt but always blames the Union government that it takes away all the taxes from Karnataka and the money doesn't come back.

"The promised amount from the Union government in 2023-24 was Rs 37,000 crore, but the state received Rs 40,000 crore. In 2024-25, the promised amount was Rs 44,485 crore and the amount received was Rs 46,932 crore. In 2025-26, the promised amount is Rs 51,876 crore and the expected amount is Rs 55,000 crore," Narayanaswamy said, adding that the Union government has always given more than what was promised to Karnataka and that the Congress government with 'zero' development was shielding itself from the funds received while continuing with the blame game.

He also registered his opposition to the alleged diversion of funds reserved for the Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCCP) and Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) for the guarantees and dubbed the action as taking money from the pocket of people and giving it back to them. He also slammed the guarantee schemes, stating that they give only temporary relief, and called upon the government to "teach people fishing instead of providing them with fish every day".

BILLS TABLED IN ASSEMBLY

e-documentation of property registration

The Registration (Amendment) Bill tabled on Tuesday proposes to send property documents electronically to registering officers, by government officers or certain public functionaries. The Bill proposes that documents executed by government officers or public functionaries will be sent electronically to the registering officer within whose jurisdiction the immovable property is located. The officer will file the document electronically in the appropriate book number. Revenue Minister Krishna Byre Gowda tabled the bill in the Assembly. It proposes compulsory registration of power of attorney, authorising transfer of immovable property with or without consideration. It also proposes compulsory registration of documents relating to any grant of immovable property by the government.

The Karnataka Stamp (Amendment) Bill, 2025, was tabled in the Assembly to bring digital e-stamping within the gambit of duly stamped. The bill proposes legal support for electronic signatures and enables payment of stamp duty by electronic means.

SPL COURT FOR SPEEDY TRIAL

The Karnataka Land Grabbing Prohibition Act establishes a special court for speedy trial of any alleged land grabbing and to prosecute the offenders. The bill proposes streamlining of provisions for the protection of government and public land. Many court judgements have emphasised the responsibility of the state government in protecting government and public lands.

GRAM SWARAJ

The Karnataka Gram Swaraj and Panchayat Raj (Amendment) Bill, 2025, was tabled in the Assembly to bring all assets under the purview of rural authorities.

It proposes to extend collection of property tax to premises and buildings in unauthorised settlements, other than government land. It also proposes a penalty on officers for non-compliance.

LAND REVENUE

The Karnataka Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill prevents fraudulent entries in revenue records by officers, and makes it necessary for the govt to bring more stringent norms to check such practices, making officers more accountable.

AGRI VARSITY IN MANDYA

The government tabled the Universities of Agriculture Sciences (Amendment) Bill, 2025, in the Assembly to set up a separate University of Agricultural Sciences at VC Farm in Mandya. It is to amend the Universities of Agricultural Sciences Act, 2009 (Karnataka Act 10 of 2010) to establish the University of Agricultural Sciences to conduct studies and research on crops grown in Mandya, Hassan, Mysuru, Chamarajanagar and Kodagu districts. The colleges, research institutes, extension education units, laboratories, libraries, and hostels from the University of Agricultural Sciences (UAS), Bengaluru, and Keladi Shivappa Nayaka Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences University, Shivamogga, will be transferred to the new university.

MLAs insulted by officers, Speaker refers complaints to privileges panel

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SPEAKER UT Khader on Tuesday referred to the Privileges Committee Congress MLA Bharamgouda Kage's allegation against Rajendra Kataria, principal secretary in the Revenue department, for disrespecting him. The Speaker also referred Gulbarga Rural MLA Basavaraj Mattimud's plaint alleging that Additional SP Mahesh Meghannavar had manhandled him recently.

Kagwad MLA Kage moved a breach of privilege motion in the Assembly, and alleged that Kataria had insulted him when he approached him for a Praja Soudha building in his constituency. Kage alleged that Kataria snubbed him. "I have been MLA for 25 years and no officer has spoken to me like this. I have a complaint letter signed by 60 MLAs which is given to the Chief Minister. I did not go to him for my personal work," he said, and demanded Kataria's transfer.

The issue with IAS officer Rajendra Kataria involved setting up a taluk office on lake land

Cutting across party lines, MLAs raised the issue and supported Kage. Turuvekere JDS MLA MT Krishnappa said it is not the insult of one MLA, but all 224 MLAs, and he should be punished. BJP MLA CC Patil said misbehavior by an officer should not be tolerated.

Meanwhile, Mattimud narrated how he was manhandled by a police officer in his constituency. Leader of Opposition R Ashoka said this can happen to any one of them. With MLAs demanding that the Speaker take action, Law Minister HK Patil said the officer can be called to the Speaker's chamber to resolve the issue. However, MLAs from all parties did not agree.

Speaker Khader said, "Disrespecting MLAs means disrespecting the House. I shall refer this to the Privileges Committee. When MLAs call an officer and he does not have the courtesy to speak, it cannot be tolerated. Officers should learn to respect elected representatives."

The Speaker said the two cases would be taken seriously. "It should come as a warning to others," he said.

Encroachment removal drive starts, HDK says govt targeting him

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STATE revenue officials on Tuesday started the process to reclaim government land that was allegedly encroached by Union Minister HD Kumaraswamy and others in Kethaganahalli village in Bidadi hobli of Ramanagara district. The former CM dismissed the allegations and accused the state government of targeting him.

The team of officials led by the deputy commissioner is supervising the encroachment clearance operations at Kumaraswamy's farmhouse. Government land of around 14 acres in seven to eight survey numbers was allegedly encroached and the clearance drive is being conducted on the high court's directions, officials said.

After clearing the encroachments, the officials will put up a fence and a board declaring that the land belongs to the government. A detailed report will be submitted to the court as the matter is before it.

The high court directed the revenue department to submit a report after social activists complained that 14 acres of government land have been encroached. Revenue officials had earlier conducted a survey. The government also formed a SIT headed by a senior IAS officer to investigate land encroachment by Kumaraswamy.

Kumaraswamy said the land in question was purchased 40 years ago, and he will fight against this government's "conspiracy" through legal means. Speaking to media persons in Bengaluru, the Union minister said he neither encroached land nor engaged in any illegal activities. "I purchased this land 40 years ago. Even if the government wants to evict an ordinary citizen, a notice must be issued at least 15 days in advance as per law. However, I have not received any notice or official communication till now," he said. "I have become a target of the Congress government. The scrutiny has been ongoing for four decades," he said.

Kumaraswamy said he legally acquired the land and will fight against the government's actions within the framework of the law. "Everyone knows the kind of oppression this government is engaging in. It is looting Bengaluru city. For the first time in the country's history, a SIT has been formed for such a case," he said.

DyCM dismisses Union minister's allegations

Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar dismissed Union Minister HD Kumaraswamy's allegation that the Congress government is targeting him. Speaking to media persons in New Delhi, the DyCM said they have never done any politics of hatred and there is no need for it. He was responding to Kumaraswamy's allegations against the government after revenue officials started the drive to clear encroachment of government land at his farmhouse near Bidadi. Stating that they have nothing to do with the development, the DyCM said after the court reprimanded them for not taking proper action regarding land encroachment, the officials were enforcing the court directions.

> **A notice must be issued at least 15 days in advance as per law. But, I have not received any notice till now. I have become a target of the Congress government** – HD Kumaraswamy

Following a complaint that instructions in Tamil were missing from the biodegradable paper covers that are used to wrap the bed roll kits of AC coaches, the Madurai railway division ordered the bidder concerned to include instructions in Tamil, along with Hindi and English

TG ASSEMBLY PASSES SC SUB-QUOTA BILL

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Hyderabad

THE Telangana Assembly on Tuesday unanimously passed The Telangana Scheduled Castes (Rationalisation of Reservations) Bill, 2025. The bill sub-categorises the constitutionally mandated 15% reservations for Scheduled Castes (SCs) by classifying the 59 subcastes into three groups — Group 1, Group 2 and Group 3 — allocating 1%, 9%, and 5% reservations, respectively.

Speaking on the bill, Telangana Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy assured the SCs that it was the State Government's responsibility to restructure reservations based on the population data from the 2025 Census. He said the government could not do so in the current legislation due to the Supreme Court-mandated threshold.

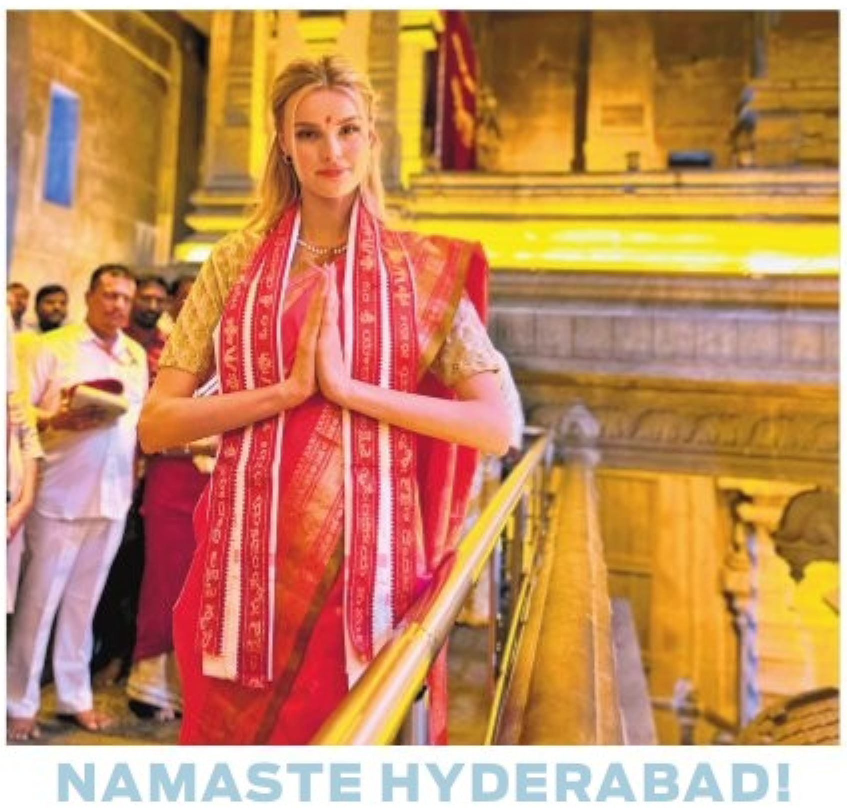
Revanth pointed out that the bill had 100% support of the House, whereas only 51% was needed for passage. He asserted that the Congress has a history of empowering Dalits, stating that the party made Damodaram Sanjeevaiah the chief minister of undivided Andhra Pradesh in the 1960s. He added that the Congress also appointed Dalit CMs in Maharashtra, Punjab, and Bihar. Recalling that the Congress government appointed Sidharth Luthra to present arguments in favour of SC sub-categorisation in Punjab vs. Davinder Singh case, Revanth pointed out that Health Minister Damodar Rajanarsimha led the state's legal team. Revanth recalled that he had promised to implement SC subclassification in the Assembly within an hour of the Supreme Court judgment.

The CM said a Cabinet Sub-Committee, headed by Irrigation Minister N Uttam Kumar Reddy, was appointed to oversee the implementation of the court's order.

The sub-committee met six times and decided to appoint a one-man commission, which conducted extensive consultations and received 8,681 representations from various groups. Observing that SC youths had died for the cause of SC subclassification — similar to the Telangana movement — the CM said his government would support the families of those who sacrificed their lives for the cause by prioritising them for the Indiramma Housing Scheme and Rajiv Yuva Vikasam.

Telangana CM Revanth Reddy speaks in the Assembly in Hyderabad on Tuesday

> **Telangana has shown the way, this is what the whole country needs. Caste census will definitely happen in India. I have been continuously saying that only through X-ray - i.e. caste census - backward and deprived communities can get their due right** — Congress MP Rahul Gandhi



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Reigning Miss World Krystyna Pyszková at the famous Yadagirigutta Temple during her visit to Telangana for the pre-launch event of the Miss World pageant, on Tuesday. Hyderabad will host the event from May 7 to 31 | @MISSWORLD/INSTAGRAM

Malavalli food poisoning: One more student succumbs

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THE death toll in the suspected food poisoning incident in a school in Malavalli taluk, Mandya district, rose to two with another student succumbing at a private hospital in Mysuru on Tuesday.

While Kerlong (13), a student of Gokula Vidya Samsthe in T Kagepura village, died on Sunday, Nami Banthai succumbed on Tuesday. Both the students hailed from Meghalaya.

According to the police, a businessman from Malavalli organised a feast for his relatives and friends as part of Holi celebrations and sent the leftover vegetable pulav and chutney to the hostel, which was being run by the school illegally.

As many as 40 students took ill after consuming the food, and five of them were admitted to a private hospital in Mysuru in critical condition.

Meanwhile, the police has sealed the hotel that supplied the food and arrested a few persons, including the hotel owner, hostel warden, and secretary of the private school management.

Safe food: KCRO demands survey of schools, hostels

BENGALURU: Following the death of two boys due to suspected food poisoning in Malavalli taluk, Karnataka Child Rights Observatory (KCRO) has urged the government to strengthen safety measures in schools and hostels. In a letter to Education Minister Madhu Bangarappa, the state convener called for a statewide survey of educational institutions to ensure compliance with child safety regulations. The letter read, "Many residential schools and hostels operate without proper facilities, necessary permissions or adherence to regulations, putting children at risk. Food safety in schools, hostels and student accommodations must be prioritised...."

Abandoned by kin, septuagenarian under the care of Koppal hosp staffers

RAGHOTTAM KOPPAR @Koppal

DAYS after Karnataka Medical Education Minister Dr Sharan Prakash Patil called for the cancellation of property transfers and wills made in favour of children who later abandon their elderly parents in government hospitals, a similar case of an old man has come to light in Koppal district hospital.

Ramanjeneyalu, 72, has been in the hospital since last May. After knowing his condition, hospital staff are taking care of him. The septuagenarian cannot walk as he is suffering from backache. Even though he has children and brothers, no one has come to take him back home. Many people who saw him in the hospital are happy with the staff as they are taking good care and treats him like their grandfather. The hospital staff says there are many such senior citizens who have been abandoned by their families after taking over their property. Ramanjeneyalu has five houses and survives on the rent that he gets from his property. He claims that his brother and sons admitted him to the hospital last May after he developed backache while working at home. They admitted him after calling 108 and left him in the hospital.

After a few months, the staff pooled in money and made arrangements to send him back home in Hosapete. But he came backsaying that he was cheated and does not want to return home.

Settlement deeds in kids' name can be cancelled if parents not taken care of: HC

CHENNAI: The Madras High Court held that the settlement deeds executed by parents in the name of their children for transferring properties can be cancelled in case they (parents) are not taken care of even if such a condition was not explicitly mentioned in such deeds. A division bench passed the orders recently while dismissing an appeal filed by an octogenarian woman's daughter-in-law challenging the cancellation of settlement deed and a single judge's order to share the property along with her four sisters-in-law.

Okkoota calls for K'taka bandh on March 22

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

KANNADA OKKOOTA, an umbrella organisation of Kannada groups, confirmed on Tuesday that the Karnataka bandh will be observed on Saturday. While outfits like Karnataka Rakshana Vedike — both factions led by T A Narayana Gowda and Praveen Shetty — has not supported the bandh, transport associations including the Ola, Uber Owners and Drivers Association along with a few private bus associations and autorickshaw unions have supported the bandh. Some malls in the city may remain closed on Saturday.

However, hotel and film industries have extended only moral support. Various trade unions are yet to decide their stance on the call.

The bandh has been called to condemn the alleged oppression of Kannadigas in Belagavi and the assault on a state-run bus conductor for not speaking Marathi. They demanded a ban on Marathi Ekikaran Samiti in Karnataka and have called for Shiv Sena members to be barred from entering the state. The bandh will be in effect from 6 am to 6 pm on Saturday.

Kannada Okkoota leader Vatal Nagaraj said that entire Karnataka will be shut down on Saturday. "No drivers should operate their vehicle on the day of the bandh. It is a matter of self-esteem and respect for the drivers in the state," he said, terming the protest as the 'Karnataka Drivers' Bandh.

He also urged people not to use the Metro during the bandh in protest against the fare hike.

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Director (Admin & HR), ADA

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY (See Provisio to Rule 8 (6))

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest(Enforcement) Rules, 2002
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of State Bank of India, the Secured Creditor, on **12.07.2022**, will be sold on "As is Where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" basis on **29.04.2025** for Recovery of **Rs. 53,06,303/- (Rupees Fifty three lakhs six thousand three hundred and three Only)** as on **18.03.2025** with future interest, costs, etc., due to the **State Bank of India, Stressed Asset Recovery Branch II, No.44, First Floor, Eldams Road, Teynampet, Chennai** from Borrower /Guarantor mentioned below.

Borrower Name & Address: (Borrower) :Shri Sumesh V M,S/o Kumaran V M, No.80, 1st Floor, 2nd Cross, Mahaganapathi Layout,Nandi Park Apartment,Gotigeri,Bangalore-560 083. **Also at:**Kuzhikkattu,Meethal House, Makkada Post, Kulavan Kavu Temple, Kozhikode, Kerala - 673 611. **Also at:**M/s. Glenmark Pharmaceuticals Limited, Emp No. 90022810,Corporate Enclave, B D Sawant Road, Andheri East, Mumbai - 400 099.**Also at:**Flat No. C-206, C Block, SIGMA Serenity Apartments,Attibele, Saijapur Main Road, Indlabele Village, Bangalore-562107.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

SCHEDULE "A"[Whole property]All that piece and parcel of the property bearing New Sy No. 223, (old Sy No. 173) of the converted land to a total extent of 2 acres, vide Conversion Order No. ALN (A) (A)SR/107/2010-11 dated 17.03.2010, situated at Indlabele Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk,Bangalore Urban DistrictBounded on the:East by: Sarjapura Main Road, West by: Sy.No. I73C, North by: Sy.No.180 & 181i, South by: Sai Layout. **SCHEDULE "B"[Property hereby conveyed] Name of the Title Deed Holder:Mr. V M Sumesh:**393 Sq.Ft undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property. **SCHEDULE "C"**A Two Bedroom-Apartment bearing Flat No. C-206, of C Block, now bearing Bidaraguppe Grampanchayath e-khatha No 150200100200320768, Flat No.248/C-206, on the Second Floor of the building known as 'SIGMA SERENITY' constructed in the Schedule 'A' Property having Super Built-up area of 1066 Sq.ft, (which is inclusive of the floors, ceiling and walls between the apartments and proportionate share in common areas and a share in the club house area) together with one covered car parking space in the basement and bounded on **[Asset ID: 200023110358 ; Security ID : 400023160139].**

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DATE AND TIME OF INSPECTION OF PROPERTIES: Date: 08.04.2025 ; Time :11.00 AM to 4.00 PM

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Date : 18.03.2025
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POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule - 13(4)] (For immovable Property)

Whereas The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Canara Bank Attibele Branch(3468)** under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **31-12-2024** calling upon the **Borrower/s Smt. Vinutha R W/o Manjunath,** Residing at N-H No 6, 2nd CRS, Siddartha Colony, Kathriguppe, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Karnataka-560085, to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice, being **Rs.25,68,489.19** (Rupees Twenty Five Lakh Sixty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Nine and Paisa Nineteen Only) within 60 days from the date of the said notice including EMI and interest thereon.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule on this **13th Day of March of the year 2025.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Canara Bank** for an amount of **Rs. 25,82,280.20** (Rupees Twenty Five Lakh Eighty Two Thousand Two Hundred Eighty and Paisa Twenty Only) as on **11.03.2025** and interest thereon and any other charges.

The Borrower's Attention is invited to the Provisions of Section 13(8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the Secured Assets.

Description of the Immovable Property

Name of Title holder: Smt. Vinutha R W/o Manjunath.

Immovable : All that piece and parcel of the southern portion of site No.197, Katha No.103, Assessment No.93/2, BBMP Ward No.40, Situated at Andhrahalli Village, Yashwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, Now Comes under Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Limits Ward No.40, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 15 feet, in all measuring 600 square feet and bounded on the:- East by : Site No.183, West by : Road, North by: Remaining Northern portion of the same site, South by : Site No.198.

Date : 13.03.2025
Place : Bangalore

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SPECIAL COURT RULES IN FAVOUR OF ANAND SINGH IN ILLEGAL MINING CASE

In a major ruling, the Special Court for Legislators acquitted former Minister and BJP leader Anand Singh of charges related to illegal mining, iron ore transportation, and export. The verdict was delivered by Judge Santosh Gajanan Bhat on March 7, who concluded that the allegations against Singh were not proven.

The case was based on a complaint filed by the Lokayukta police. In his ruling, Judge Bhat also granted relief to Goa's current Tourism Minister Rohan Khaundekar, along with other partners of the SB Minerals company, including B.S. Gopal Singh, B.S. Pandurang Singh, Messrs Naivedya Logistics, Rajesh Ashok Khaundekar, and others, all of whom were acquitted by the court. The court pointed out that the Lokayukta police had failed to prove the charges against Anand Singh beyond doubt.

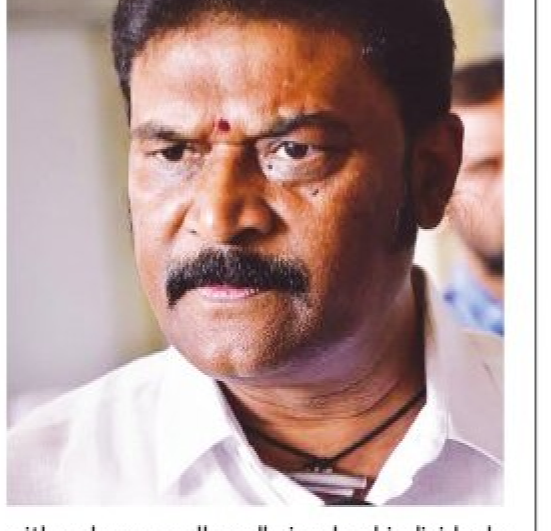
What Was the Case About?

The case stemmed from an agreement between Mumbai-based Pisces Exim and Anand Singh's SB Minerals to transport 14,000 tons of iron ore from Karwar and 6,000 tons from Belekeri port. However, Pisces lacked government permits for extraction, transportation, and failed to pay taxes. Singh was accused of helping the company acquire ore in 2009-10 without the necessary clearances, leading to a reported loss of 1.53 crore rupees for the state. The Lokayukta police filed charges in 2015 under the Indian Penal Code, Mines and Minerals Act, and Karnataka Forest Act.

Investigation and Court Findings

The investigation uncovered an illegal consortium of officials, mining companies, and individuals extracting and exporting ore without permits, causing a government loss. However, the Special Court found the evidence insufficient to support charges against Singh and criticised the investigators for not verifying the legitimacy of extraction licenses. The court also criticised the Lokayukta police for failing to identify the real culprits. Ultimately, Anand Singh, Rohan Khaundekar, and others were acquitted.

The court noted that those who transported the minerals were excluded from the charges,



with only some allegedly involved individuals arraigned as accused. The prosecution also admitted that the extracted minerals were legal, as S.B. Minerals held a 20-year mining lease.

The court criticised the final investigating officer, N.H. Ramachandraiah, for submitting documents without verifying their authenticity. It regretted that the investigation, entrusted to the Karnataka Lokayukta SIT, was not conducted properly. Although the FIR included those who transported the iron ore, the officer inexplicably listed them as witnesses in the chargesheet.

The case, filed in 2015, alleges that the companies illegally transported iron ore in 2009-10, causing a ₹3 crore loss to the state. Khaunte and his brother Rajesh Khaunte were named as accused for their roles as directors of Naivedya Logistics, while Anand Singh was implicated as a director of S.B. Minerals.

The court highlighted that permits from the Department of Mines and Geology and passes from the Forest Department were provided, showing that necessary permissions were obtained by S.B. Minerals and Adarsh Enterprises. Unless it is shown that these documents do not apply to the alleged transactions, invoking penal provisions is unjustified, the court concluded.

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Whereas you the below mentioned Borrower's, Co-Borrower's, Guarantor's and Mortgagors have availed loans from **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited,** by mortgaging your immovable properties. Consequent to default committed by you all, your loan account has been classified as **Non-performing Asset,** whereas **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** being a secured creditor under the Act, and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(2) of the said Act read with rule 2 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued **Demand notice** calling upon the Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors as mentioned in column No.2 to repay the amount mentioned in the notices with future interest thereon within **60 days** from the date of notice, but the notices could not be served on some of them for various reasons.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor	Loan Account No. & Loan Amount	Details of the Security to be enforced	Date of NPA & Demand Notice date	Amount Due in Rs. / as on
1	1) Mr. Sadhananda Chari K, Also at: M/s. Chowdeshwari Black Smith, Proprietor Mr. Sadhananda Chari K, 2) Mrs. Madhu S	Loan Account No. 32519440000038 45379630000080 Loan Amount: Rs.10,00,000/- Rs.2,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Site No.307, Property No.36 and BBMP Katha No.36/306, situating Under BBMP Limits, Maratahalli Village, Manjunatha Nagar, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore and **Bounded by: East by:** Road, **West by:** Property belongs to Mrs. Papamma, **North by:** Remaining Property of same survey no. belongs to Mr. Rajachari, **South by:** Remaining Property of same survey no. belongs to Shrinivasachari. Measuring East to West: 25 Feet, and North to South: 15 Feet. Measuring in total: 375 Sq.ft.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 14-03-2025	**Rs.10,34.633.98** (Rupees Ten Lakh Thirty Four Thousand Six Hundred Thirty Three and Ninety Eight Paisa Only) **as on 09-03-2025**
2	1) Mr. Shiva Shankar Y, 2) Mrs. Pallavi N	Loan Account No. 31839440000405 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No.159, V P Khatha No.225/159 Old Ward No.67, New Ward No.151, measuring East to West 12 Feet and North to South 30 Feet totally measuring 360 Sq.feet situated at Koramangala Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and **Bounded on: East by:** House belongs to Muniraju, **West by:** House belongs to Lakshamma, **North by:** House belongs to Appaji, **South by:** Road.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 13-03-2025	**Rs.3,87,743.72** (Rupees Three Lakh Eighty Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Three and Seventy Two Paisa Only) **due as on 09-03-2025**
3	1) Mr. Nagaraja N, 2) Mrs. Gangamma K	Loan Account No. 34019630000475 34019630000933 Loan Amount: Rs.4,00,000/- Rs.1,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the immovable residential property being Western portion of Site No.66, situated at Vadarapalya Horamavu Agara Dhakle, Krishnarajapura Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Now within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) Bangalore. Measuring East to West 13 Feet and North to South 27 Feet, totally measuring 351 Square Feet and being **Bounded on the: East by:** Remaining portion of the same property belongs to A-Schedule holder Nagaveni K, **West by:** Munitrathnamma W/o. Late Krishnappa House, **North by:** Muninanjappa's House, **South by:** Common Passage in the same property. The schedule property consists of 3.5 squares of AC sheet roofed house constructed with cement and bricks doors and windows made out of jungle wood with red oxide flooring with all civic amenities.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 14.03.2025	**Rs.3,87,486.90** (Rupees Three Lakh Eighty Seven Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Six and Ninety Paisa Only) **due as on 12-03-2025**
4	1) Mr. T T Sunil, Prop. of S S Engineering Enterprises, Also at: S S Engineering Enterprises, 2) Mrs. Rekha	Loan Account No. 45348640004494 Loan Amount: Rs.90,80,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site No.64, Portion of Assessment No.57, Khatha No.332, situated at Kammagondanahalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, and **Bounded on: East by:** Site No.65, **West by:** Site No.63, **North by:** Muniyappa's Property, **South by:** 20 Feet Road. Measurement East to West: Northern side: 38'-0" Ft, Southern side: 33;-0" Ft and North to South: Eastern side: 67'-0" Ft, Western side: 66'-0" Ft., in all total measuring 2360.75 Sq.ft.	Date of NPA: 31-01-2025 Demand Notice Date: 14.03.2025	**Rs.88,85,749.17** (Rupees Eighty Eight Lakh Eighty Five Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Nine and Seventeen Paisa Only) **due as on 11-03-2025**
5	1) Mr. Ravi B, 2) Mrs. Jayamma	Loan Account No. 31879410000686 31879630000390 31879410001268 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/- Rs.5,00,000/- Rs.2,41,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel for property bearing Site No.08, Sy.No.28/1, BBMP Khatha No.28/1/08, measuring East to West 20 feet and North to South 10 feet totally measuring 300 Sq.feet and a residential House property of about 3 Sq.ft area with AC sheet roof red oxide flooring and wooden doors and windows. Situated at A block, present Doddachannappa Layout, Doddabommasandra Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, and **Bounded on: East by:** Site No.07, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Site No.5, **South by:** Property of another portion of Plot No.08.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 14.03.2025	**Rs.11,18,583.46** (Rupees Eleven Lakh Eighteen Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Three and Forty Six Paisa Only) **due as on 13-03-2025**
6	1) Mr.Jayamani J, 2) Mr. Yellappa Jayaram, 3) Mr. Bhuvaneshwari J	Loan Account No. 31889410000662 31889630000735 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/- Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Site No.261, Sy.No.18, situate at Kammagondanahalli Village, Yalahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore and **Bounded on: East by:** Mohan, **West by:** Murthy, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Perumal. Measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 27 feet.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 14.03.2025	**Rs.9,18,342.53** (Rupees Nine Lakh Eighteen Thousand Three Hundred Forty Two and Fifty Three Paisa Only) **due as on 11-03-2025**
7	1) Mrs. Jayamma, 2) Mr. Ramaiah, 3) Mr. Manjunath G R	Loan Account No. 31839630000369 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel the property bearing House List No.33, Property No.150200300101200034, measuring East to West 7.92 meter and North to South 9.l4 meter, situated at Gandhinagana Village, Kaggalipura Grama Panchayath, Bengaluru South Block, Bengaluru District and **Bounded on: East by:** Road, **West by:** Private Sy.No.229, **North by:** Site No.23, **South by:** Site No.21.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 14.03.2025	**Rs.4,09,598.00** (Rupees Four Lakh Nine Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Eight Only) **due as on 13-03-2025**
8	1) Mr. A Ajay, 2) Mrs. A Anuradha	Loan Account No. 33639630001127 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** Alt that piece and parcel for Property bearing 28 measuring East to West 20 feet and North to South 11 feet, situated at Sanjayaandhinagar (behind Krishna Floor Mill) Srirampura, Bangalore Nagar Ward 95(26), Bengaluru-560020 and **Bounded on: East by:** Cross Road, **West by:** Site No.21, **North by:** Site No.29, **South by:** Site No.27.	Date of NPA: 20-02-2025 Demand Notice Date: 14.03.2025	**Rs.3,49,160.44** (Rupees Three Lakh Forty Nine Thousand One Hundred Sixty and Forty Four Paisa Only) **due as on 13-03-2025**
9	1) Mr. Raja, Also at: M/s. Chethan Enterprises, 2) Mrs. Latha H B	Loan Account No. 45359420001632 45359410000451 Loan Amount: Rs.13,62,473/- Rs.2,80,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the Northern Portion of Property bearing Site No.61, Khatha No.90, situated at Mallasandra Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Presently within limits of BBMP and **Bounded on: Northern Portion: East by:** Site No.56, **West by:** 25 Ft Road, **North by:** Site No.60, **South by:** Remaining Southern Portion of same Site No.61 belongs to Shivaprasad.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 15-03-2025	**Rs.16,40,384.50** (Rupees Sixteen Lakh Forty Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Four and Fifty Paisa Only) **due as on 13-03-2025**
10	1) Mr. Shivanna T, 2) Mr. Thammegouda	Loan Account No. 45350430000621 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the property E-Katha No.152900201100400004, Khaneshumari No.370/63, Measuring East to West 9.144 Meters and North to South 12.192 Meters, situated at Keralalusandra Village, Chakanahalli, Gram Panchayath, Kasaba Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagara District and **Bounded on: East by:** House Belongs to Shivamma, **West bny:** Property belongs to Marilingegouda, **North by:** House Belongs to Gowramma, **South by:** Road.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 14-03-2025	**Rs.5,15,832.16** (Rupees Five Lakh Fifteen Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Two and Sixteen Paisa Only) **as on 09-03-2025**
11	1) Mr. Prathap K, 2) Mrs. Nagamma	Loan Account No. 45350530000241 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel ofthe Property No.152900401500700358 Khatha No358/358, Measuring East to West 9.144 Meter, and North to South 12.192 meter, situated at Nagohalli Village, Ajjaanahalli Grama Panchayath, Ramanagar Block, Ramnagar District and **Bounded on: East by:** Property belongs to Chikkanna, **West by:** Property belongs to Badramma, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Properly belongs to Hanumaiah.	Date of NPA: 01-02-2025 Demand Notice Date: 14-03-2025	**Rs.4,99,438.06** (Rupees Four Lakh Ninety Nine Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Eight and Six Paisa only) **as on 09-03-2025**
12	1) Mrs. Padma C R, 2) Mr. Manjunatha M	Loan Account No. 46459630001989 46459410001838 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/- Rs.1,50,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All the piece and parcel of the immovable residential property bearing No.7, situated at Chikka Aralagere Village, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, presently comes under the limits of Dodda Aralagere Village Panchayath and **Bounded by the: East by:** House of Muniyappa, **West by:** Road and Narayanappa, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Vacant site of Lakshmana. Measuring 30 Feet X 33 Feet.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 13-03-2025	**Rs.6,29,314.73** (Rupees Six Lakh Twenty Nine Thousand Three Hundred Fourteen and Seventy Three Paisa Only) **due as on 12-03-2025**
13	1) Mr. Shivananda K, 2) Mrs. Ramya M	Loan Account No. 46459410001302 46459630000947 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/- Rs.3,50,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All the piece and parcel of the Property bearing No.25/3, Janjaru No.287, situated at Khajuhosahalli Village, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, presently comes under the limits of Khajihosahalli Gram Panchayath. **Bounded by the: East by:** Road, **West by:** Own Property, **North by:** Abbanna Hissa, **South by:** Own Property. Measuring East to West: 30 Feet and North to South: 40 Feet.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 13-03-2025	**Rs.8,00,556.78** (Rupees Eight Lakh Five Hundred Fifty Six and Seventy Eight Paisa Only) **due as on 12-03-2025**
14	1) Mr. Raju, 2) Mrs. Sowjanya R	Loan Account No. 47059630000516 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the property bearing E Khatha No.152900200401400124, Khaneshumari No.35/27/1 measuring East to West 6.096 meters and North to South 18.288 Meters, situated at Gullahattikal Village, Kaggalahalli Gram Panchayath, Kanakapura Block, Ramanagara District and **Bounded on: East by:** Rajabeedi, **West by:** Remaining Own Property, **North by:** House belongs to Shivalingaiah, **South by:** Rajabeedi.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 14-03-2025	**Rs.4,19,805.76** (Rupees Four Lakh Nineteen Thousand Eight Hundred Five and Seventy Six Paisa Only) **due as on 12-03-2025**
15	1) Mr. Vijaykumar N, 2) Mrs. Lakshmamma	Loan Account No. 47059630000338 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the property E Khatha No.152900200400200123 Khaneshumari No.207/142/2B, measuring East to West 7.46 Meters and North to South 4.30 Meters, situated at Kaggalahalli Village and Dhakle, Kaggalahalli Gram Panchayath, Kanakapura Block, Ramanagara District and **Bounded on: East by:** House belongs to Lakshmidevamma, **West by:** House belongs to Siddanna, **North by:** Road, **South by:** House belongs to Sahukar Puttaswamaiah.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 13-03-2025	**Rs.3,71,203.25** (Rupees Three Lakh Seventy One Thousand Two Hundred Three and Twenty Five Paisa Only) **due as on 09-03-2025**
16	1) Mrs. Sudha N, 2) Mr. Narayanaswami, 3) Mrs. Nagamma	Loan Account No. 46459630001746 46459410001242 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/- Rs.2,55,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All the piece and parcel of the Immovable Property bearing No.28/3, Khatha ID No.150300400900700309, situated at Ummalu Village, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, Presently comes under the limits of Doddanallala Village Panchayath and **Bounded by the: East by:** Lakshmamma, **West by:** Chinnayappa, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Road. Measuring East to West: 11.5824 Mtrs and North to South: 10.9728 Mtrs, totally measuring 127.09 Sq.mtrs.	Date of NPA: 01-02-2025 Demand Notice Date: 14-03-2025	**Rs.7,40,403.20** (Rupees Seven Lakh Forty Thousand Four Hundred Three and Twenty Paisa Only) **due as on 13-03-2025**
17	1) Mrs. Kamalamma, 2) Mr. Munikrishnappa	Loan Account No. 46459410000147 46459630000374 Loan Amount: Rs.3,99,000/- Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing No.6A/1, Janjaru No.88, situated at Jadigenahalli Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, presently comes under the limits of Khajihosahalli Grama Panchayath and **Bounded on the: East by:** Vacant Site & Road, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Road, **South by:** House of Ramanna. Measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 14.03.2025	**Rs.8,03,715.81** (Rupees Eight Lakh Three Thousand Seven Hundred Fifteen and Eighty One Paisa Only) **due as on 12-03-2025**
18	1) Mr. Chandrahasa S, 2) Mrs. Mahadevamma	Loan Account No. 47049410000109 47059440000222 Loan Amount: Rs.4,49,000/- Rs.4,50,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All the piece and parcel of the property bearing No.152900204101720210/44/18/1 measuring East to West 6.70 meter and North to South 33.82 meter, Situated at 1.Gollahalli Village, 1 Gollahalli Grama Panchayath, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagara District and **Bounded on: East by:** House belongs to Chikkalingegowda, **West by:** House Belongs to Abbas Saheba, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Property belongs to Chikkalingegowda.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 14.03.2025	**Rs.7,47,598.61** (Rupees Seven Lakh Forty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Eight and Sixty One Paisa Only) **due as on 12-03-2025**
19	1) Mrs. Padma P, 2) Mr. Sanjay Kumar	Loan Account No. 46459410000288 46459630001071 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/- Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All the piece and parcel of the Property bearing No.08, Sl.No.128, Situated at Tharabahalli Village, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, Presently Comes under the limits of Khajihosahalli Gram Panchayath and **Bounded by the: East by:** Channel, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Vacant Site, **South by:** Property of 104. Measuring East to West: 29 feet and North to South: 31 feet.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 14.03.2025	**Rs.8,96,170,20** (Rupees Eight Lakh Ninety Six Thousand One Hundred Seventy and Twenty Paisa Only) **due as on 12-03-2025**
20	1) Mr. S C Somashekhar, 2) Mrs. Nirmalamma	Loan Account No. 33639430001241 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the Property E-Khatha No.150300401900600110/164/61/135/109, measuring East to West 8.53 meters and North to South 6.70 meters, Situated at Sonnahalli Village, Lakkondahalli Gram Panchayath, Hosakote, Bangalore District and **Bounded: East by:** Property belongs to Chikkamunishamappa, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Property belongs to Lakshmamma, **South by:** Property belongs to Ramakrishnappa.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 14.03.2025	**Rs.4,11,015.67** (Rupees Four Lakh Eleven Thousand Fifteen and Sixty Seven Paisa Only) **due as on 11-03-2025**
21	1) Mr. Anand Kumar A, Prop. M/s. SLV Digital Print, Also at: M/s. SLV Digital Print, 2) Mrs. Sunitha T M	Loan Account No. 46459440000028 46459670000054 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/- Rs.95,925/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Sy.No.04, situated at Kannurahalli Village, Kasaba Hobali, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and **Bounded by the: East by:** Remaining portion of same property, **West by:** Munishamanna's property, **North by:** Property of Chikkamuniyamma & Muniraju, **South by:** Remaining portion of same property. Measuring 0-01 ¼ Guntas measuring 30ft X 40ft.	Date of NPA: 01-02-2025 Demand Notice Date: 14.03.2025	**Rs.2,14,051.58** (Rupees Two Lakh Fourteen Thousand Fifty One and Fifty Eight Paisa Only) **due as on 12-03-2025**
22	1) Mr. Shivakumar, 2) Mrs. Gangamma	Loan Account No. 46650430000095 Loan Amount: Rs.3,59,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Property No.714/864, E-Katha No.150300200900320856, Situated at Avathi Village comes within the purview of Avathi Grama Panchayath, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, Measuring East-West: 7.9248 Mtrs, North to South: 10.3632 Mtrs, totally measuring 82.13 Sq.mtrs and **Bounded on: East by:** Anjinamma's House, **West by:** Sy.No.211 land, **North by:** Sy. No.211 remaining land, **South by:** Sy. No.211 land.	Date of NPA: 01-02-2025 Demand Notice Date: 14.03.2025	**Rs.3,66,492.18** (Rupees Three Lakh Sixty Six Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Two and Eighteen Paisa Only) **due as on 12-03-2025**
23	1) Mrs. Lakshamamma, 2) Mr. Venkatesh	Loan Account No. 31879630000861 Loan Amount: Rs.4,50,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the Property No. 150300700800300157/107/36/2, measuring East to West 10.515600000000001 Meters and North to South 3.658536+4.1158536 Meters, situated at Kachanahalli Village Bhudihal Grama Panchayath, Nelmangala Block, Bangalore Rural District and **Bounded on: East by:** Road, **West by:** Government Drainage, **North by:** Property belongs to Gangappa Manjunatha and Hanumantharayappa, **South by:** Property belongs to Late Venkachalaiah.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 15-03-2025	**Rs.4,14,582.74** (Rupees Four Lakh Fourteen Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Two and Seventy Four Paisa Only) **as on 13-03-2025**
24	1) Mr. Nagaraja R, Also at: M/s. Bgfms, 2) Mrs. Chandrakala N, 3) Mrs. Munirathnamma	Loan Account No. 46459630001111 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All the piece and parcel of the property bearing No.6, Janjur No.269/1, situated at Khajihosahalli Village, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District Presently Comes under the limits of Khajihosahalli Gram Panchayath, and **Bounded by the: East by:** Road, **West by:** Seenappa's Hissa, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Subbamma's Hissa Measuring East to West: 27 feet and North to South: 39 feet.	Date of NPA: 03-03-2025 Demand Notice Date: 15-03-2025	**Rs.4,34,833.30** (Rupees Four Lakh Thirty Four Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Three and Thirty Paisa Only) **as on 13-03-2025**

Notice is therefore given to the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor & Mortgagor as mentioned in Column No.2, calling upon them to make payment of the aggregate amount as shown in column No.6, against all the respective Borrower/ Co-Borrower within **60 days** of Publication of this notice as the said amount is found payable in relation to the respective loan account as on the date shown in Column No. 6. It is made clear that if the aggregate amount together with future interest and other amounts which may become payable till the date of payment, is not paid, **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** shall be constrained to take appropriate action for enforcement of security interest upon properties as described in Column No.4. Please note that this publication is made without prejudice to such rights and remedies as are available to **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** against the Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors of the said financials under the law, you are further requested to note that as per section 13(13) of the said act, you are restrained/ prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the above security or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise of the secured asset without prior consent of Secured Creditor.

Date: 19.03.2025, Place: Bangalore & Bangalore Rural **Sd/- Authorised Officer, For Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
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Invitation for tenders (IFT) Two cover system Tender Notification (Two Document System)

On behalf of Governor of Karnataka, following tenders are invited in E-Procurement to execute the work. To participate in E-Procurement and for more information may be obtained in **(http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)** website. For further Extension refer above mentioned website. No separate paper notification will be issued.

Name of work: (1) Modernization And Up-gradation Of Mangalore Fishery Harbour In Dakshina Kannada District. Amount put to Tender Amount: **Rs. 2840.11 Lakhs** (2) Modernization of Malpe Fishery Harbour In Udupi District, Amount put to Tender Amount: **Rs. 721.84 Lakhs.** (3) Modernization Of Gangolli Fishery Harbour in Udupi District, Amount put to Tender Amount: **Rs. 1661.52 Lakhs**

Sd/- Executive Engineer
Port & Fisheries Division, Udupi

DIPR/ADU/KSMCA/541/24-25 Dt.18.03.2025

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
MANGALURU DIVISION MANGALURU

Ref : PWD:MD:TND(56E) JE-2/2024-25 **Dated: 17.03.2025**

SHORT TERM E-TENDER NOTIFICATION

The Executive Engineer, PWD, Divn. Mangaluru Inviting Tender under K.P.P Portal **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** from eligible Tenderers in accordance with KTTP Act Indent No: 19470 Under the **Head of Account: 5054-03-101-0-02-132 Major District Roads and Bridges the last date for reciept of tender: 24.03.2025 upto 16.00 hours** and also for Indent No: 20301 under the **Head of Account: 5054-04-337-0-01-154 Major District Road Improvements. the last date for reciept of tender: 26.03.2025 upto 16.00 hours.**

The above Work Lowest Cost of Estimate is Rs.95.00 Lakhs & Highest Cost of Estimate is Rs.150.00 Lakhs. Inviting tender as per standard tender document KW-3 & KW-4. Any change in dates of events and value of work put to tender and EMD amount etc only can been seen from KPP-portal **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**

DIPR/MNG/KSMCA/1614/24-25 dt.18.03.2025 **Sd/- Executive Engineer**

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ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರವರ ಕಚೇರಿ, ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ,
ವಿದ್ಯುತ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಕೆ.ಆರ್.ವೃತ್ತ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು–01.
ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 080–22112809 ಇ–ಮೇಲ್:pwdelediv1@gmail.com

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ಕಾ.ಇಂ(ವಿ)/ಲೋ.ಇ/ವಿದ್ಯುತ್/3054/2024–25 ದಿನಾಂಕ:17.03.2025

ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು (ವಿದ್ಯುತ್), ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ವಿದ್ಯುತ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಇವರ ವತಿಯಿಂದ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯನ್ನು KW-3 STD ಷರತ್ತುಗೊಳ್ಳಪಟ್ಟಂತೆ ಎರಡನೇ ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು ಕರೆಯನ್ನು ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ ಮೂಲಕ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ವಿವರ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತಿವೆ.

Sl No.	WORK INDENTS	WORK VALUE (Rs.in Lakhs)
1	Improvements of Approach Road from NH-209 to New Court Building in Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagara District. (Median Lights, Street Lights, High Mast & Electrical Works). PWD/2024-25/EL/WORK_INDENT17165/Call-2.	50.10

ಮೇಲಿನ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಲು ಇಚ್ಛಿಸುವವರು ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ ಸಂ:https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in ನಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಡಾಕ್ಯೂಮೆಂಟ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಡೌನ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ದಿನಾಂಕ: 17.03.2025 ರಿಂದ 01.04.2025 16:00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡಿದ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಹಿಂತಿರುಗಿಸುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 01.04.2025 ರಂದು 16:00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ ನಿಗದಿಪಡಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು **Karnataka Public Procurement Portal** ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ಈ ಕೆಳಗೆ ಸಹಿ ಮಾಡಿರುವ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಚೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆಲಸದ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದು.

ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು (ವಿ),
ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ವಿದ್ಯುತ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು.

ವಾಸಸಂಇ/ಸಿಪಿ/ಎಎ/5762/2024–25

बैंक ऑफ महाराष्ट्र
Bank of Maharashtra
A GOVT. OF INDIA UNDERTAKING
एक परिवार एक बैंक

Zonal Office, Bengaluru : No. 465/A, 22nd Cross, 3rd Block, Opp: NMKRV College for Women, Jayanagar Bengaluru - 560011 **TELE :** 080-29509922
E-mail : cmmarc_ban@mahabank.co.in
H O: Lokmangal, 1501, Shivajinagar, Pune-5

POSSESSION NOTICE
For Immovable property [Appendix IV under the Act-Rule-8(1)]

WHEREAS,

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Bank of Maharashtra under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, and in exercise of the powers conferred under Sub-Section (12) of Section 13 read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated 12.12.2024 calling upon the borrowers, **Ms. Joyeeta Neogi and Mrs. Swapna Neogi** to repay amount aggregating **Rs.16,60,349.00 (Rupees Sixteen Lakh Sixty Thousand Three Hundred Forty Nine Only)** plus unapplied interest thereon as mentioned in the demand notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice. The notice was sent through Regd. AD Post and also published in newspaper on 10.01.2025.

The borrower/s having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower/s and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the properties described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on this **17th day of March of the year 2025**.

The borrower/s in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of Bank of Maharashtra, **Chamrajpet Branch** for an amount hereinabove mentioned.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The details of the properties mortgaged to the Bank and taken possession by the Bank are as follows:

All that piece and parcel of 2BHK residential Flat bearing No.B-409, B-Block, admeasuring built up area 1143 sq. ft. on 4th Floor in the Project named "DS Max Spring Field" constructed on the land bearing Survey No.4 (New No.4/1 & 2) with undivided share of the land admeasuring area 364 sq. ft. along with one car parking lying and situated at Village-Doddagubbi, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore-560077 and the project land is butted and **bounded as under- On or towards the North :** By Survey No.38. **On or towards the East :** By Land of Sy No.3 of Land Hissa No.3 & 4. **On or towards the West :** By Survey No.5. **On or towards the South :** By Road.

Sd/- Chief Manager & Authorized Officer
Bank of Maharashtra
Bangalore Zone

Date : 17/03/2025
Place : Bangalore

ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರು & ನೈರ್ಮಲ್ಯ ಇಲಾಖೆ

ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರ ಕಚೇರಿ, ಹುಬ್ಬಳ್ಳಿ – ಬಾಯಪಾಸ್
ರಸ್ತೆ, ಯುನಿಟ್–2, ಫುಡ್ ಪಾರ್ಕ್ ಎದುರಿಗೆ, ಸೆಕ್ಟರ್ ನಂ. 85,
5ನೇ ಅಡ್ಡರಸ್ತೆ, ನವನಗರ, ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟೆ. ದೂ.: 08354–220446,
ಇ–ಮೇಲ್ : eerwssdbagalkot@gmail.com

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ : ಗ್ರಾ.ಕು.ನೀ. ಮತ್ತು ನೈ.ವಿ./ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟೆ/ಪಿಬಿ–1/ಟೆಂಡರ್/
2024–25/1970 ದಿನಾಂಕ : 17–03–2025

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

(ದ್ವಿ–ಲಕೋಟೆ ಟೆಂಡರ್)

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಮಾನ್ಯ ರಾಜ್ಯಪಾಲರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರ, ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರು ಮತ್ತು ನೈರ್ಮಲ್ಯ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟೆ ರವರಿಂದ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರು ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟೆ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ ಹುನಗುಂದ ತಾಲೂಕಿನ **MVS O&M-2215** ಲೆಕ್ಕ ಶಿರ್ಷಿಕೆ ಅಡಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ವಿವರ ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನಂತಿದೆ.

1) RWSSD/2024-25/WS/WORK_INDENT9164, APT - 76.99 Lakhs.

1) ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರ ಅರ್ಹತೆ : 3 ನೇ ದರ್ಜೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಮೇಲ್ಪಟ್ಟ, 2) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಅರ್ಜಿ ಬೆಲೆ ಮತ್ತು ಇ.ಎಮ್.ಡಿ. ಮೊತ್ತ ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ. ಪ್ರಕಾರ, 3) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 25–03–2025 ರ ಸಂಜೆ 5.30 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ, 4) ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 27–03–2025 ರ ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 10.30 ಗಂಟೆಯ ನಂತರ. 5) ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 29–03–2025 ರ ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 10.30 ಗಂಟೆಯ ನಂತರ. 6) ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬೇಕಾದ ವಿಳಾಸ ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರ, ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರು ಮತ್ತು ನೈರ್ಮಲ್ಯ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟೆ, 7) ಅಂತರ್ಜಾಲ ತಾಣದ ವಿಳಾಸ : **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

ಟಿಪ್ಪಣಿ : 1) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಮೊತ್ತಕ್ಕಿಂತ ಕಡಿಮೆ ದರವನ್ನು ನಮೂದಿಸಿದಲ್ಲಿ ಒಟ್ಟು ವ್ಯತ್ಯಾಸ ಮೊತ್ತದ ಡಿ.ಡಿ./ಎಫ್.ಡಿ.ಆರ್ ನ್ನು ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು, ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರು ಮತ್ತು ನೈರ್ಮಲ್ಯ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟೆ ಇವರ ಹೆಸರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆದು ಸ್ಕ್ಯಾನ್ ಮಾಡಿ ಆನ್‌ಲೈನ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಜೊತೆಗೆ ಅಪ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಬೇಕು. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಅನುಮೋದನೆಗಿಂತ ಮುಂಚಿತವಾಗಿ ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಗೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು, ತಪ್ಪಿದಲ್ಲಿ ಅಂತಹ ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು ಪರಿಗಣಿಸಲಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. 2) ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಮೊತ್ತಕ್ಕೆ 18% ಜಿ.ಎಸ್.ಟಿ. ಯನ್ನು ಸೇರಿಸಿ ಕೆಲಸದ ಆದೇಶ ನೀಡಲಾಗುವುದು.

ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು,
ಗ್ರಾ.ಕು.ನೀ.&ನೈ. ವಿಭಾಗ, ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟೆ.

ಡಿಐಪಿಆರ್/ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟೆ/577/ಮೀಡಿಯಾ/2024–25

STATE BANK OF INDIA
4th Floor, CCO Department, Local Head Office,
St. Marks Road, Bangalore – 560001.

EMPANELMENT AND ENGAGEMENT OF TEV CONSULTANTS IN STATE BANK OF INDIA, BENGALURU CIRCLE

As per uniform guidelines, issued by our Corporate Centre, Mumbai, SBI, Bengaluru Circle invites applications for empanelment and engagement of External Consultants for conducting Techno Economic Viability (TEV) Study. The interested applicants shall submit the application form along with other relevant enclosures / documents till 11.04.2025.

For detailed guidelines in respect of eligibility criteria, process of empanelment, indicative scope of work, etc, please visit "SBI in the News > Show More > Empanelment of Vendors" under Bank's official website https://bank.sbi.

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby notified that, our clients have agreed to purchase the SCHEDULE PROPERTY from its Owners/Vendors Sri K.S.Chalukya S/o Sri K.C.Sudarshan, aged 25 years. (ADHAAR No. 3430-6955-4895) and Sri K.C.Sudarshan S/o Late Chennappa, aged 64 years. (ADHAAR No. 8034-0469-1369) Both residing at Adakamaranahalli Village, Near Navodaya School, Dasanapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk. If any persons, who have any manner of claim, right, title, interest or demand of any nature in or over the Schedule Property, they are hereby requested to file their objections along with the photocopies of the documents on which they are relying, with the undersigned within 15 days (Fifteen days) from the date of publication of this notice. Objection/s received thereafter will not be binding on our clients.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Immovable property, a Vacant Site, bearing No.1990, (formed out of Survey No.63 of Bheemanakuppe Village), Layout formed by the Bangalore Development Authority, Bangalore, situated at 6 Block, "D" Sector of Bangalore Nadaprabhu Kempegowda Layout, measuring East to West 12.00 Meters and North to South 18.00 Meters, in all 216 Square Meters and bounded as follows:

EAST BY : Site 1991, **WEST BY :** 1989, **NORTH BY :** ROAD, **SOUTH BY :** 2030.

PRAKASHA, Advocate
E.No. KAR/187/1993
No. 39/2, 3rd Floor, A.S.V.N.V. Bhavan,
K.G. Road, Bengaluru-560009.
Mob : 9844314860
Email : prakasha1963@gmal.com

IN THE COURT OF THE II ADDITIONAL CIVIL JUDGE, AND J.M.F.C. AT HOSKOTE

C. MIS. No. 94 /2025

BETWEEN: Smt. MUNIYAMMA, W/o late Kittappa, Aged about 77 years, **Smt. SAROJAMMA,** D/o late Kittappa, Aged about 62 years, Both are Residing at Kalkunte Agrahara, Anugondanahalli Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District. **.... PETITIONER**

AND: THE TAHASILDAR, Registrar of Births & Deaths, Hoskote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural Dist **.... RESPONDENT**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, the petitioners named above have filed the above Petition for seeking a direction to the Tahasildar Hosakote to register the death of the Sister-in-Law of Petitioner No.1 and Aunt of Petitioner No.2 i.e., the deceased HULIMUNIYAMMA D/O LATE NANJAPPA, who was died on 13-07-1985, in Home at Kalkunte Agrahara Village, Anugondanahalli Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District. On the above petition is posted on **19-04-2025** at 11:00 A.M. for appearance of interested parties shall appear before the court on the above said date and time in personally/ their Advocates and file their objections filing which the matter will be disposed of ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the Hon'ble Court on 17-03-2025 at Hoskote.

By order of the court, Sheristedar, Civil Judge & JMFC Hosakote.

Advocate For Petitioner: **Smt. SRILAKSHMI .S**
M.V Extension, College Road,
Hosakote-562114.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform to the general public that my client Smt.Shashikala, residing at#191, Hangrahalli, Chowdanakuppe, Kunigal Taluk, Tumkur District. My client is the absolute owner of Site No.17, Katha No.56, Assessment No.34/7, measuring East to West: 62 feet and North to South: 30 feet in all measuring 1860 Square feet and situated at Channenahalli Village, Tavarekere Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, presently comes under the limits of Channenahalli Gram Panchayath. My client has lost original Sale deed dated 10.03.2003, Executed by Sri.Chikkanagappa in favour of Sri.Ajjappa, Registered as Document No.24102/2003-04 of Book-I, stored in CD No.119 in the office of the Sub Registrar Kengeri, Bangalore, My client has lost the above mentioned sale deed while shifting house and the same is not traceable even after her best efforts. In this regard my client has lodged Online Police Complaint Vide Lost Report No.1488437/2025, dated 20.02.2025, If anybody finds the above said documents or is in possession, please handover the same to the below said address within 7 days.

Chandrika P. Shetty, Advocate,
No.119, First Floor, Opp. Tata Silk Farm
Bus Stop, K.R.Road, Bangalore-04.

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I
B.S.N.L. Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road,
Bengaluru - 560 001

O. A. No.557/ 2021

Between
Punjab National Bank, **... Applicant**
Bangalore
And
M/s. Kotak Power Pvt. Ltd., & others **... Defendants**
To,
1. M/S. Kotak Power Private Ltd.,
A Private limited Company,
Represented by its Authorized Signatory,
Mr. Sri. T. C. Kasiviswanathan,
Aged about 81 years,
Son of Sri. Kasinathan, At No.378,10th Cross, 4th Phase, Peenya Industrial Area,
Bangalore 560 058 **... Defendant No. 1**

SUMMONS UNDER RULE 23 (VIII) DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL AT (Procedure) Rules 1993 TO THE DEFENDANT

Whereas, an Application has instituted as application under Section 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993, against you to repay the Applicant Bank a sum of **Rs.1,22,50,616/- (Rupees One Crore Twenty Two Lakhs Fifty Thousand Six Hundred Sixteen only)** together with accrued interest @ 15.00% per annum with monthly rests along with penal interest @ 2% in all the facilities, till date of repayment.

You are hereby required to show within 30 days from the date of publication of this summons or on **25.04.2025 at 10.30 A. M.,** in the forenoon in person or by Pleader/ Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted in case of default in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this the **30th day of November, 2024.**

Filed by
S. R. Narayanappa
Advocate for Applicant Bank

SEAL

Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal-I
Bangalore

PUNE MUNCIPAL CORPORATION ROAD DEPARTMENT RETENDER

The tendered works mentioned under by Road Department under by Road Department Of Pune Municipal Corporation are hereby giving the Retender for the tender process. All the terms and conditions of the tender mentioned under are available for scrutiny in the uploaded tender documents at no cost

Sales of e-tender document-19/03/2025 To 25/03/2025

Last date of submission of e-tender -19/03/2025 To 25/03/2025

Date Of Opening of e-tender -26/03/2025 at 3:00 PM (IF Possible)

SR No.	DEPARTMENT	TENDER NO	NAME OF WORK
1.	Road Department	PMC/ ROAD/ 2024/ 450	Asphalt (VG30, Grade), LDO, Emulsion (RS1/ RS2) to be purchased from the manufacturing company for Yerawada Hot Mix Plant of Pune Municipal Corporation, and Transportation from Mumbai Refinery to Yerawada Hot Mix Plant.

ADVT No : 3/1666
Date : 18/03/2025

sd/-
(Sahebrao Dandge)
Superitendent Engineer (Pune)

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED

CIN No: U85110KA1970SGC001919

ABSTRACT BID NOTIFICATION

(Through KPP portal only)

Bids in two covers are invited through "e" Procurement Portal **(https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)** from reputed bidders with proven track record of successful completion of similar works.

KADRA AND KODASALLI POWER HOUSE

1) No.: KPCL/2024-25/PS/WORK_INDENT2220/CALL-3 Dtd: 04.03.2025: 11KV Bus Duct Modification work for Back charging at Kodasalli Power House. Amount put to Tender: **Rs. 55,00,000/-** EMD: **Rs. 1,10,000/-** Last Date & Time for online submission of tenders: **25.03.2025 up to 16:30 Hrs.** Contract period: **5 Months for supply, 1 Month for erection**. Further details can be had from office of the **Executive Engineer (O&M) Kodasalli,** KPCL, Kadra- 581 396, Karwar Tq. Uttara Kannada Dist. Phone : 08382-256344. e-mail : kslyee3kpcl@gmail.com

MAHATMA GANDHI HYDRO-ELECTRIC WORKS

2)No.:KPCL/2024-25/PS/WORK_INDENT1769/CALL-2 Dtd: 13.03.2025: Annual Maintenance works of 1st Stage Generating Units (04 Nos.) at MGHE Power House, Jogfalls. Last Date & Time for online submission of tenders: **28.03.2025 upto 16:15 Hrs.** Further details can be had from office of the **Executive Engineer (EM&O) MGHE Works,** KPCL, Jogfalls- 577435, Sagar Tq. Shimoga Dist. Karnataka. Mobile: 9449598853. e-mail : eeemghejog@gmail.com

BHADRA GENERATING STATION

3)No.:KPCL/2024-25/PS/WORK_INDENT2665, Dtd: 06.03.2025: "Supply & Installation of Hydraulic Operated Bypass valve for MIV at River bed Unit #1 at Bhadra Generating Station. EMD: **Rs. 11,556/-** Last Date & Time for online submission of tenders: **20.03.2025 up to 16:30 Hrs.** Further details can be had from office of the **Executive Engineer (O&M) Bhadra,** BGS, KPCL, B.R. Project-577115, Bhadravathi Tq. Shimoga Dist. Karnataka.

Central Coalfields Limited

"AMiniratna Company"
(A Subsidiary of Coal India Limited)

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NOTICE

"All the tenders issued by CIL and its Subsidiaries for procurement of Goods, Works and Services are available on website of Coal India Ltd. **www.coalindia.in**/respective Subsidiary Company (CCL. **www.centralcoalfields.in**). CIL e-procurement portal **https://coalindiatenders.nic.in** and Central Public Procurement Portal **https://eprocure.gov.in** in addition, procurement is also done through GeM portal **https://gem.gov.in**".

(Public Works Department)

Office of the Executive Engineer,
PWD Division, Madhugiri

No:EE/PWD/Dvn/AE-1/Tender/2024-25 Dated: 10.03.2025

Invitation For Short term Tender
Tender ref no:33/2024-25

On behalf of Governor of Karnataka, the Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Madhugiri, invites tenders from eligible Tenderers, for the works. Total 05 Work (Sira, Madhugiri and Pavagada Taluk) Approx. amount for the work is Rs 402.38 Lakhs. Tender documents may be downloaded from the KPPP portal of the Govt. of Karnataka Viz.http://KPPP.gov.in. Tenders must be submitted through KPPP portal on or before 19-03-2025 (up to 4.00 pm), Technical bids will be opened on 20-03-2025 after 4.15 Pm, Financial bid will be opened on 21-03-2025 after 4.15 Pm. Further any other information can be seen from the KPPP portal or can be had from the undersigned.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
PWD Division, Madhugiri

DIPR/TUM/714/KSMCA/2024-25

RAICHUR POWER CORPORATION LIMITED

(YERAMARUS THERMAL POWER STATION)
CIN : U40101KA2009PLC049582

No: EE(MSP)/YTPS/24-25 Date: 10.03.2025

BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION

RPCL invites bids from reputed agencies through GoK e-procurement platform **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** for the procurement of the following required for YTPS: **(1) KPCL/2024-25/IND1483/CALL-2, 08.03.2025 for Procurement of Flexible & Gear couplings. (2) KPCL/2024-25/IND1532, 07.03.2025 for Procurement of coupling. (3) KPCL/2024-25/IND1531, 06.03.2025 for Procurement of silicon hoses, gasket & ceramic tape for burner system at YTPS. (4) KPCL/2024-25/IND1530, 06.03.2025 for Procurement of MF system spares for YTPS. (5) KPCL/2024-25/IND1009, 06.03.2025 for Procurement of alpha SP 68 for YTPS.** Last date & time for bid submission: **25.03.2025, 16.00 Hrs** for Sl.No. (1) and **20.03.2025, 16.00 Hrs** for Sl.No (2) to (5) All other details can be accessed from e-procurement portal **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** Further details can be had from office of the **Executive Engineer (MSP), RPCL-YTPS, Yeramarus-584134, Dist: Raichur, Mobile: 9480682892, e-mail: eemsprpcl@gmail.com.**

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer (QA/QC) Division,
Dasarahalli Zone, Room No.101, Annex-3 Building,
BBMP, N.R. Square, Bengaluru - 560002.

No: EE(QA/QC)/DAS/TEND/92/2024-25 Date: 18-03-2025

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Two Cover System) (Through GOK KPP Portal only)

The Executive Engineer, Quality Assurance / Quality Control Division (Dasarahalli Zone), BBMP, Bengaluru invites Request for Proposal from interested Persons / Firms those who have done similar type of work for Consultancy Services for Project Management including Supervision, Quality Control (PMC) for the below works.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work
1	Providing PMC Services including Supervision, Quality Control for "Expansion / Widening of Narrow Water Vents for Construction of 'U' Shape Drains, Box Drain & Culverts / Bridges to Storm Water Drains at Various Locations in Dasarahalli Constituency of Dasarahalli Zone **(Package DHZ-01) (Project No. 16, 17, 18 and 19)." Project Amount (Rs. in Lakhs): 179.20, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 4,480/-**

Calendar of Events: 1) Tender Document may be downloaded from the GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from 19-03-2025. 2)** Pre Bid Meeting will be held on **24-03-2025 at 11.30 AM in the Office of the Executive Engineer (QA/QC), Room No.101, Annex-3 Building, BBMP, N.R. Square, Bengaluru - 560002. 3)** Last Date & Time for Receipt of Tenders: **29-03-2025 upto 4.00 PM. 4)** Date of Opening of Technical Bid: **01-04-2025 at 4.30 PM.** Further details can be had from the above office.

Sd/- Executive Engineer (QA/QC) Division,
Dasarahalli Zone, BBMP.

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government of India Undertaking)

REGIONAL OFFICE WEST
Chitrapur Mutt Complex,
Malleswaram 15th Cross, Bangalore-560055.

(Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Property)

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical (Strike whichever is not applicable)possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of, **Regional Office West of the Canara Bank,** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is"** on **05.04.2025 & 11.00 AM to 12.00 PM** for recovery of below mentioned amount.

E-AUCTION DATE: 05.04.2025

Borrower, Co- Borrower and Mortgagor: (1) Mr Prakash (Borrower) S/o Mr Dasegowda, No 38 66, 4th Cross, Jai Maruthi Nagara, Nandini Layout, Bangalore-560 096. **(1)B Mr Prakash (Borrower)** S/o Mr Dasegowda, No.113, 5th Block, KSCB Quarters, Near Water Tank, Lakshmidevi Nagar, Nandini Layout, Bangalore-560 096. **(2) Mrs Anitha (Joint Borrower)** W/o Mr Prakash, No.38 , 4th Cross, Jai Maruthi Nagara, Nandini Layout, Bangalore-560 096.

Total Amount: Rs 11,13,795.36 (Rupees Eleven Lakhs Thirteen Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety Five Rupees and Thirty Six Paise Only) as on **16.03.2025** and interest and other charges thereon from **17.03.2025.**

Reserve Price: Rs. 9.12 lacs EMD: Rs 0.91 lacs

Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before: **03.04.2025 - 4.00 p.m.**

Details of Property/ies : Schedule "A": All that piece and parcel of immovable property in the limits of BDA, Alur Village formed in Sy No- 113 having 2 Blocks bearing Block 27 and 28 covering 64 residential Houses measuring East to West: 59.20 meters and North to South: 17.50mts in total measuring 1036.00 Sq meters bounded on : East: Road, West : BDA Property/Road, North: Passage, South : Road.

Schedule "B": 33.526 Sq mtrs Super built up area of Schedule "A" Property with ownership title, rights is given to Owner of Residential house.

Schedule "C": The Schedule of the Property bearing Flat No- B-28/006 of Block 28 formed in Ground Floor , Phase 1, "Alur BDA Flats" with super built up area of 33.526 Sqmtrs in the Sy no-113, of Alur Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk in the name of Mr Prakash and bounded on: East: Road, West: Alur , B28/005, North: Passage, South: Alur, B28/007. With Passage, Staircase, Lift measuring 33.526 Sq mtrs super built up area with civic amenities.

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

For further details Divisional Manager, Canara Bank, Regional Office West, E-mail id: roblrwrec@canarabank.com,cb3847@canarabank.com (Mob No 7411509379/7022192698/ 9943936295), OR the service provider BAANKNET Online https://baanknet.com/ (M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd) Bangalore (Contact No. 8291220220) E-mail: Support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com may be contacted during office hours on any working day.

Date : 18.03.2025
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED

CIN No: U85110KA1970SGC001919

No. KPCL/2024-25/Prequal_Tender_Number_4/Call-2
Date: 18.03.2025

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) NOTIFICATION

(Through KPP Portal only)

Name of the Work: "Lifting of pond ash in wet mode by new methodology including development of necessary infrastructure at ash dyke in Ballari Thermal Power Station on Build Operate Own Transfer (BOOT) system on commercial basis. Last Date & Time for online submission of tenders is extended upto **5:00 P.M. on 26.03.2025.**

The EOI documents can be downloaded from the website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Further details can be had from office of the **Chief Engineer (Thermal Designs),** KPCL, No-3, Green Building, 2nd Floor, Behind Drug Controller Office Premises, Palace Road, Bangalore-560 001. **Mobile:**9481088980 / 807327081.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby notified that our client, **Dr. Chennu Prasad**, son of Sri. Narasimha Rao Chennu, residing at Pedda Pavani, Lingasamudram Mandalam, Prakasam District, Andhra Pradesh – 523 115 ("**Owner**"), is the absolute owner of the immovable property being a three-bedroom apartment bearing No. 006, PID No. 8275825900, 32/2-4, Flat No. 006GF in the Ground Floor, having a super built-up area of 1,659 square feet (which is inclusive of proportionate share of common areas), along with exclusive garden area measuring 1,060 square feet with one covered car park space No. 23 in the basement, along with an undivided 1.353% share in the land measuring 53,115 square feet, being 718.77 square feet in the apartment building known as "Salarpuria Cambridge Residency", situated at Someswarapura, 1st Cross, Ulsoor, Ward No. 75, Bengaluru ("**Subject Property**").

Our Client states and represents that the **Original Sale Deed dated 29.06.2004** executed by (i) Mr. B. Chandra Prakash, son of Late Mr. J.M. Bijeraj; (ii) Smt. Shobag Bai, daughter of Late Mr. J.M. Bijeraj; (iii) Mrs. C. Indira Bai, wife of Mr. B. Chandra Prakash; (iv) Mr. B. Jayanthilal, son of Late Mr. J.M. Bijeraj; (v) Mrs. Kavitha, wife of Mr. B. Jayanthilal; (vi) Mr. B. Ugamraj, son of Late Mr. J.M. Bijeraj; and (vii) Mrs. Roopa, wife of Mr. B. Ugamraj (Sellers (ii) to (vii) represented by their Power of Attorney holder Mr. B. Chandra Prakash, son of Late Mr. J.M. Bijeraj) (as 'Sellers') and Vidarbha Properties Private Limited (as 'Confirming Party'), in favour of Mrs. B. Uma Suresh, wife of Mr. Suresh Babu, registered as **Document No. SHV-1-01556-2004-05**, contained in C.D. No. SHVD10, in the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Shivajinagar, in respect of the Subject Property has been irretrievably lost and misplaced.

A Lost Report in respect of the loss of the aforementioned original Sale Deed in respect of the Subject Property has been filed with the Bengaluru City Police Unit, on 13.01.2025, and the same is registered as Lost Report No. 1428025/2025.

The general public are hereby notified that any person/s, having found or having custody of the aforementioned original Sale Deed in respect of the Subject Property are called upon to handover and deliver the same forthwith to the undersigned at the address mentioned below; or to lodge their claims or objections, if any, in writing together with documentary proof of such claims or objections, within a period of **7 (seven) days** from the date of this Public Notice.

C.R. Muralidharan, Partner
Vinuth Gowda, Partner
DUA ASSOCIATES
Advocates & Solicitors
130/1, 2nd Floor, Ulsoor Road, Bengaluru – 560 042.
Phone: 91-80-25588799 / 25589909
E-mail: murali@duaassociates.com/ vinuth@duaassociates.com

Place: Bengaluru
Dated: March 19, 2025

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government of India Undertaking)

Regional Office West
Chitrapur Mutt Complex, Malleswaram 15th Cross,
Bangalore-560055.

(Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Property)

SALE NOTICE

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Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical (Strike whichever is not applicable) possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Regional Office West** of the **Canara Bank,** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is"** on **21.04.2025, 11.00 AM to 12.00 PM** for recovery of below mentioned amount.

E-AUCTION DATE: 21.04.2025

Borrower(s): 1. Mrs. Meenakshi W/o Raghu N, **(Borrower),** No.187, Near Maramma Temple, Ramasandra Sulikere Post Bengaluru-560060, **1a. Mrs. Meenakshi** W/o Raghu N, **(Borrower),** No 498, Khata No 463/498, Kommaghatta Village, Soolikere Grama Panchayath, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore-560 060. **2. Mr.Raghu N** S/o Nagarajappa, **(Joint Borrower)** No.18, Ramasandra Sulikere Bangalore-560060, **3.Mr.Muralidhar B** S/o Basavaraju **(Guarantor)** No.88, Ramasandra Sulikere Post, Kengeri Hobli Bangalore-560060.

Total liabilities **Rs 12,39,760.14 (Rupees Twelve Lakhs Thirty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred And Sixty Rupees and Fourteen Paise Only)** as on **16.03.2025** and interest and other charges thereon from **17.03.2025.**

Reserve Price: Rs 29.19 Lacs EMD: Rs 2.91 Lacs

The Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before 19.04.2025 up to 4.00 pm.

Details and full description of the immovable property :

All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Property bearing Site No 498, Panchayat Khata No 463/498, PID No 150200301900321074 in Sy No 124, Kommaghatta Village, Soolikere Grama Panchayat, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring East to West (28+ 15)/2 feet and North to South 30 feet and bounded as follows East by: Site No 463, West by : Road, North by :Road, South by :Site No 497.

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank. For further details Divisional Manager, Canara Bank, Regional Office West, e-mail id **roblrwrec@canarabank.com, cb10674@canarabank.com** Mob No.7022192698/ 7411509379/9030950496), OR the service provider **BAANKNET https://baanknet.com/ (M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd)** Bangalore (Contact No. 8291220220) E-mail: **Support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com** may be contacted during office hours on any working day.

Place: Bengaluru
Date : 18.03.2025

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

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Kamakshipalya Branch

No. 194/1-1, Magadi Main Road Opp. Traffic Police Station,
HVR Layout, Kamakshipalya, Bengaluru-560079

NOTICE TO BORROWER

(UNDER SUB-SECTION (2) OF SECTION 13 OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002)

'At your request, Bank has extended credit facilities to the below mentioned individuals against secured assets through its **Bank of Baroda, Kamakshipalya Branch.** The relevant particulars of the property on which you have created security interest by execution of security agreement/documents & creation of mortgage by way deposit of title deeds are furnished hereunder. As the operation and conduct of the financial assistance/ credit facilities have become irregular, the debts have been classified as Non Performing Assets in accordance with the directives/guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India consequent to the default committed by the borrowers in repayment of the principal debt and interest thereon. As the demand notice sent by register AD calling upon you, was un-served/not acknowledged, this publication is now issued.

1.Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: 1) Mr.Ajay Kumar Bangera, Flat No.407, 4th Floor, Jasmine Block, Eden Blossoms Apartment, Bangalore-562123.

Sl No	Nature And Type of Facility	Limit (Rs.) In Lakhs	Rate of Interest	Outstanding as on date of notice (including interest up to date as on 24.02.2025)
01	Home Loan (A/c no- 19030600013150)	Rs.50.62	9.55%	Rs. 54,07,917.47/-
02	Baroda Suvidha Loan (A/c no- 19030600013151)	Rs. 3.04	10.30%	Rs.3,28,294.30/-
03	Baroda Home improvement Loan (A/c No 19030600013629)	Rs.9.00	9.45%	Rs. 9,45,380.42/-
Total Limit: Rs.62,66,000/-			Total outstanding: Rs.66,81,592.19/-	

Security agreement with brief description of securities: Mortgage of the property located at: Flat bearing No.407 in 2BHK in fourth Floor of Jasmine Block in a Residential Apartment known as "Eden Blossoms" situated at BBMP Khata No.134/471/33/1, Sy.No.33/1, Gollahalli village, Near ESSAR Petrol Pump, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk,560083.consisting of 2 Bed Rooms, a kitchen with utility, dining and living room with balcony measuring 1155 Sq.ft super built up area with 450.45 Sq.ft undivided Share one Car parking space. The Flat is as bounded as follows: East by: Set Back, West by: Flat No.408, North by: Flat No.406, South by: Set Back.

The boundaries for the Apartment are as below: East by: BDA Property, West by: 60 Feet BDA Road, North by: BDA Property, South by: 40 feet Road.

Amount Outstanding : Rs.66,81,592.19/- (Rupees Sixty Six Lakhs Eighty one Thousand Five Hundred and Ninety Two and paisa Nineteen only) plus further interest from that date till payment.

NPA Date : 02.10.2024 Demand Notice Date : 24.02.2025

If you fail to repay the aforesaid sum with interest and incidental expenses within 60 days from the date of this notice, Bank shall exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub section (4) of the section 13 of the SARFAESI Act. You are also put on notice that in terms of sub section 13 of section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed above without obtaining written consent of the Bank. This notice is without prejudice to the Banks rights to initiate such other action or legal proceedings as it deem necessary under any other applicable provisions of law.

Date : 18.03.2025
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Chief Manager,
Bank of Baroda

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client is in the process of conducting due diligence on the title of the immovable property more fully described in the schedule hereunder, belonging to the share of *Sakti Builders*. If anyone has a charge, lien, interest, title, or claim on the Schedule Property, they are requested to come forward with copies of documents supporting such claim and submit the same to the undersigned counsel **within 10 days** from the date of publication of this notice. In the absence of any such legally tenable claim, my client shall proceed with the sale deed of the Schedule Property, treating it as if no such claim exists or that any such claim has been waived or abandoned.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY:

1. Property bearing Assessment No. 1901703679, BBMP PID: 37/301/1/103/906, Katha No. 37/301/34/1/103/906, Office Unit No. 906.
2. Property bearing Assessment No. 1901703686, BBMP PID: 37/301/34/1/104/907, Katha No. 37/301/34/1/104/907, Office Unit No. 907.
3. Property bearing Assessment No. 1901703690, BBMP PID: 37/301/1/34//1/105/908, Katha No. 37/301/34/1/105/908, Office Unit No. 908.
4. Property bearing BBMP PID No. 1901703702, Katha No. 37/301/34/1/106/909, Office Unit No. 909.
5. Property bearing Nos. 2146/37/301/34/1/7/G-08 and 2155/37/301/34/1/16/M-08, Office Unit G&M-08.
   - PID for G-08: 1901704568
   - PID for M-08: 1901704532

All five office units (Nos. 906, 907, 908, 909, and G&M-08) are part of the building known as *"SAKTI STATESMAN"*, situated at Ibblur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk (now East Taluk). The property is bounded as follows:

- Toward the East: Property bearing Sy. No. 33, belonging to DNR Apartments
- Toward the West: Road
- Toward the North: Sakti Heritage Apartments
- Toward the South: Road

S A Associates, Advocates
No.10, 7th Cross, Victoria Layout,
Bangalore 560047, Ph.No: 080-41320666

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN:U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No. CEE/T&P/SEE-2/2024-25/9977-90 Dt: 18.03.2025

BRIEF SHORT-TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

(THROUGH KARNATAKA PUBLIC PROCUREMENT PORTAL ONLY)

Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited invites Bids on electronic mode for the following Works against following Enquiry Numbers on **Partial Turnkey Basis.**

Enquiry Number / Name of the work

1. KPTCL/2024-25/SS/WORK_INDENT2159

Establishing **2x20MVA, 66/11kV** Sub-station at **Janagere** along with Construction of 66kV DC line on 110kV DC Towers with Panther Conductor from existing 66/11kV Jiddigere Sub Station for a distance of about **7.562km** in Tumakuru District and construction of 1No. of 66kV Terminal Bay at 66/11kV Jiddigere Sub-Station in Kunigal Taluk, Tumakuru District.

2. KPTCL/2024-25/SS/WORK_INDENT2160

Establishing **2x20MVA, 66/11kV** Sub-station at **Honnebagi (Vadnal)** and Construction of 66kV LILO line with Coyote conductor from existing 66kV Benkikere-Goppenahalli SC line to proposed 66kV Honnebagi (Vadnal) Sub-station for a distance of **0.757km** in Channagiri Taluk, Davanagere District.

3. KPTCL/2024-25/SS/WORK_INDENT2155

Establishing **2x20MVA, 110/11kV** Sub-station at **Torehalli** and Construction of 110kV LILO line on DC towers using Panther Conductor from existing 110kV Nittur-Gubbi SC line to the proposed 110/11kV Sub-station at Torehalli for a distance of **1.368km** in Gubbi Taluk, Tumakuru District.

The bids will be received through electronic tendering mode only. The details regarding participation in the e-tendering process can be obtained by logging on to KPTCL website **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** with hyperlink **"E Procurement KPTCL" or https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **24.03.2025 at 15:00hrs**. Last date & time for receipt of Bids is **08.04.2025 at 15:00hrs**. **Any extension of Due date for Bid submission will be intimated in the Karnataka Public Procurement Portal**. Any details required in this regard can also be had from the Office of the undersigned during Office hours.

All Corrigendum/Addendums shall be noticed by the bidders before the last date of submission of the Bids.

Sd/- Chief Engineer, Electy.
Tendering & Procurement, KPTCL, Kaveri Bhavan,
Bengaluru-560009. Tel: 080-22274744.

KSEB KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED - TENDER NOTICE

Office of the Chief Engineer (Commercial &Tariff), Vydyuthi Bhavanam,Thiruvananthapuram

Inviting short term tender through DEEP portal as per MoP guidelines, for meeting the power deficit from 16.04.2025 to 31.05.2025.

Last Date: **21.03.2025, 02.00 pm**; For more details visit: **www.kseb.in**

Ref : PR/MC1/F352/2025

In the Court of Senior Civil Judge and JMFC at Kanakapura

Execution petition: 83/2024

BETWEEN

SRI H.G.DILIP KUMAR,
S/o Late H.Gurumurthy Rao, Aged 62 years,Residing at No.35,K.R.Road, Basavanagudi, BANGALORE-560004 **..DECREE HOLDER**

AND:

G.K.JAGADISH Since deceased represented **By his L.Rs.,**
1) SMT.HARSHITHA.J. D/o G.K.Jagadish, Aged about 34 years,
2) SMT.SUPRITHA.J. D/o G.K.Jagadish Aged about 33 years,
3) SRI SUMANTH J.GOWDA S/o G.K.Jagadish, Aged 30 years,
4) SMT.KAMALAMMA W/o Late G.K.Jagadish, Aged about 55 years,
All are residing at Gabbadi Village, Harohalli Hobli, Kanakpura Taluk, Ramanagara District.
..... JUDGMENT DEBTORS

SUMMONS UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 OF CPC, 1908 TO JDR No. 1 AND 4

SMT.HARSHITHA.J. D/o G.K.Jagadish, Aged about 35 years **....JDR No.1**
SMT.KAMALAMMA W/o Late G.K.Jagadish, Aged about 55 years, **.....JDR No.4**
residing at Gabbadi Village, Harohalli Hobli, Kanakpura Taluk, Ramanagara District.

Take notice that, the Decree holder has filed the above mentionied Execution Petition against you and others before this Hon'ble Court for execution of compromise Decree dated 03/02/2023 in OS No. 20/2010 renumbered as OS No.146/2014. Over the schedule properties of the above mentioned Execution Petition i.e..,

SCHEDULE A PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Sy.No. 131 and 132 assuring 4 acres 34 guntas and 2 acres 5 guntas respectively in all measuring 6 acres 29 guntas situated at Gabbaddi Village, Harohalli Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural Taluk, andbounded on: **East by:** Kanakapura Bangalore Main Road, **West by:** Tagadappa's property, Gabbaddi Kaval property **North by:** Sy.No. 133 **South by:** Bisleri factory and Government Road

SCHEDULE B PROPERTY

Item No.1
All that piece and parcel of the property bearing (Old Sy.No.96) Sy.No.96/2 measuring 2 acres situated at Chikka Sadenahalli, Maralavadi Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagar District and bounded on:
East by: Venkataramaiah & Girish's remaining Property **West by:** Kenchamma's property **North by:** Arjunagowda's children property **South by:** Mallige Gowda's property

Item No.2
All that piece and parcel of the property. bearing Su.No.95/2 measuring 1 acre 4 guntas situated at Chikka Sadenahalli, Maralavadi Hobli, Kanakapura. Taluk, Ramanagar District and bounded on:
East by: Bhemanna's Property **West by:** Durgaiah's property
North by: Durgaiah's and Thamaiah's property **South by:** Venkataramana's property

Item No.3
All that piece and parcel of the property bearing (Old Sy.No.95/2) Sy.No.95/6 measuring 1 acre 22 guntas situated at Chikka Sadenahalli, Maralavadi Hobli, Kanakapura. Taluk, Ramanagar District and bounded on:
East by: Maramma's property **West by:** Varadegowda's S/o Late Karikempanna property
North by: Durgaiah S/o Late Papanna property **South by:** Venkataramanaiah's property

Item No.4
All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Sy.No.244/1A measuring 1 acre situated at Gabaddi Village, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagar District.

Item No.5
All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Sy.No.37/7 measuring 4 guntas situated at Chikkasadenahalli, Maralavadi Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagar District.

Item No.6
All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Sy.No.98/ 1 measuring 18 guntas situated at Konnasandra, Harohalli Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagar District and bounded on:
East by: Property of Tagadappa **West by:** Nagappa's property
North by: Ashwathappa's property **South by:** Shivanna's property

Item No.7
All that piece and parc'el of the property bearing Sy.No.98/2 measuring 17 guntas situated at Konnasandra, Harohalli Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagar District and bounded on:
East by: Kullappa urf Tagadappa's property **West by:** Ankappa's property
North by: Ashwathappa S/o Late Ko.mappa property **South by:** Shivanna S/o Urappa property

Item No.8
All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Sy.No.98/4 measuring 9 guntas situated at Konnasandra, Harohalli Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagar District and bounded on:
East by: Mahadevaiah's property **West by:** Kulappa urf Tagadappa's property
North by: Ashwath's property **South by:** Shivanna's property

Item No.9
All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Sy.No.98/3 measuring 15 guntas situated at Konnasandra, Harohalli Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and bounded on: East by: G.K. Jagadish's property West by: G.K. Jagadish's property North by: Ashwath's property South by: Ashwath and Shivanna's property

Item No.10
All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Sy.No.98/5 measuring 15 guntas situated at Konnasandra, Harohalli Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramnagara District and bounded on:
East by: Government Halla **West by:** Tagadappa's. property
North by: Jagadish's property **South by:** Tagadappa's property,

The said Schedule 'B' property is the subject matter of the Execution proceedings and also for the specific performance of the said properties as agreed upon between you, the other JDR'S and the Decree holder in compromise decree dated 03/02/2023 in OS No. 20/2010 renumbered as OS No. 146/2014 passed by Senior Civil Judge and JMFC at Kanakapura which has been made as an attachment in context to IA No.1 which is filed for attachment and possession of the schedule 'B' property comprising of Item No.1 to 10 by the Decree Holder in the above mentioned petition and also the subject matter of specific performance as per the terms and conditions of the compromise decree Dated 03/02/2023 in OS No. 20/2010 renumbered as OS No. 146/2014 enumerated from Point No.5(a) to 5(f) of the said Compromise Decree. You are hereby summoned to appear before this Hon'ble Court in person or by a pleader duly instructed and able to answer all material questions relating to the Execution petition on 22nd Day of April 2025 at 11.00 A.M. to answer the questions. Failing which, the Execution Petition will be disposed off in your absence as ex-parte.

By order of the Court
Sd/ - Sr. Sheristedar
Senior Civil Judge & JMFC at Kanakapura

Advocate for Decree holder
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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

(Under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrowers(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the ARM Branch II, Bangalore of Canara Bank, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of ARM Branch II, Bangalore will be sold "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis for recovery of outstanding dues from below mentioned Borrowers. The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit is mentioned below.

Sl. No	Name of Borrowers and Guarantors	Total Liabilities	Details and full description of the property	Auction Date & Time	Reserve Price & Earnest Money Deposit [EMD] Date & Time	Incremental Value at Bid
1)	**1) M/s Shine Plast** No.82,Risaldar street, 2nd cross Seshadripuram, Bengaluru 560020 **2) Mr. Mohammed Ashraf T M,** No.82,Risaldar street 2nd cross Seshadripuram, Bengaluru - 560020	**Rs. 7,57,50,438.40/-** (Rupees Seven crores fifty seven lakhs fifty thousand four hundered thrity eight and forty paise Only) plus further interest thereon along with expenses, other charges, etc.	All that piece and parcel of residential property bearing BBMP Municipal No.17,Risaldhar Street, Seshadripuram having PID NO.27-105-17 & new PID No. 094-w0086-4 earlier known as Corporation No 105,Risaldar street, Seshadripuram, Bengaluru measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 45 feet in all totally measuring 1350sq ft along with building consisting of Ground, First, Second and Terrace floors **bounded by : East :** Municipal no.14 & 15 **West :** 85 ft common passage and municipal no.16 **North :** Municipal no 17/2 **South :** Risaldhar street (park road)	05.04.2025 Time 11.30AM to 12.30PM	**Reserve Price:** 129.86/- Lakhs **EMD:** 12.99/- Lakhs Before **04.04.2025 up to 5.00 pm**	1) Multiplies of Rs.1,00,000/- **Encumbrance(s):** Not Known to the Bank
2)	**1) M/s Archangle Architectural Products Pvt Ltd** No. 181, 3rd Floor, Kbar Road, Austin Town Road,Bengaluru **2) Sri B S Gnanaprakash** No.91, 1st Stage, 4th Cross, Kumaraswamy Layout, Near Dayanandasagar Collage Bengaluru-560078 **3) Smt. H S Geetha** W/o B S Gnana Prakash, No.91, 1st Stage, 4th Cross, Kumaraswamy Layout, Near Dayanandasagar Collage, Bengaluru-560078	**Rs. 4,42,29,294.25/-** (Rupees Four crores forty two lakhs twenty nine thousand two hundred ninety four and twenty five paise Only) as on 18.03.2025plus further interest thereon along with expenses, other charges, etc.	Vacant residential sites measuring 2400 sft bearing site no. 455, Khata # 2047/130/455, Kenchanakuppe Gram Panchayat approved by BMRDA vide # BMRDA/LAO/143/2005-06 dated 29/10/2015 'ABM City' Sy No. 20/4, Kallugopahalli Village, Bidadi Hobli, Ramanagaram Taluk, Bangalore Rural in the name of Gnanaprakash B S, **bounded by East:** Site No.454 **West :** Site No.456 **North :** Site No.440 **South :** Road	05.04.2025 Time 11.30AM to 12.30PM	**Reserve Price:** 32.80/- Lakhs **EMD:** 3.28/- Lakhs Before **04.04.2025 up to 5.00 pm**	1) Multiplies of Rs.50,000/- **Encumbrance(s):** Not Known to the Bank

Other terms and conditions

a. Auction / bidding shall be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the website https://baanknet.com/ Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings.
b. The property can be inspected, with Prior Appointment with Authorised Officer.
c. The property will be sold for the price which is more than the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during auction process.
d. EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (BAANKNET) portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan.
e. After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or before 04.04.2025-5.00 PM, to Canara Bank, ARM Branch II Bangalore by hand OR Email.
   i. Demand Draft/Pay order towards EMD amount. If paid through RTGS/NEFT Acknowledgement receipt thereof with UTR No.
   ii. Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount.
   iii. Bid Form.
   The intending bidders should register their names at portal https://baanknet.com/ and get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E-auction from the service provider, M/s.PSB Alliance (BAANKNET) - e- mail: support.baanknet@psballiance.com
   EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them. The EMD shall not carry any interest.
f. Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in multiplies of Incremental value mentioned as above.The bidder who submits the highest bid (not below the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor.
g. The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on declaring him/her as the successful bidder and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited by the Authorized Officer without any notice and property shall forthwith be put up for sale again. This amount shall be deposited by way of Demand draft in favour of Authorized Officer, Canara Bank, ARM II Branch OR shall be deposited through RTGS / NEFT / Fund Transfer to credit of account of Canara Bank, ARM II Branch, A/c. No. 209272434, IFSC Code: CNRB0006298.
h. For sale proceeds of Rs.50.00 Lakhs (Rupees Fifty lacs) and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at a rate 1% or as applicable on the sale proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the bank.
i. All charges for Conveyance, Stamp Duty/GST/Registration Charges etc. As applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only.
j. Authorised Officer reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the E-auction without assigning any reason thereof.
k. In case there are bidders who do not have access to the internet but interested in participating the E-auction, they can approach Canara Bank Circle office, Bengaluru or Canara Bank ARM II Branch, Bengaluru, who as a facilitating centre shall make necessary arrangements.
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   For further details contact Ranjan Kumar, Chief Manager, Canara Bank , ARM Branch-2- (080-25310181) e-mail id – cb6298@canarabank.com OR the service provider M/s.PSB Alliance(BAANKNET) - e- mail: support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com

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Place: Bengaluru | Date: 18.03.2025

Sd/-, Authorized Officer, Canara Bank

Fear can make you do more wrong than hate or jealousy. Fear makes you always hold something back

Philip K Dick

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— **Ramnath Goenka**

RISING CAR PRICES THREATEN TO PUT UP MORE ROADBLOCKS

AUTOMOBILE market leaders—Maruti Suzuki in passenger cars and Tata Motors in commercial vehicles—are raising prices from April by 4 percent and 2 percent, respectively. The standard reasons of increasing input costs and higher operational expenses have been trotted out. However, industry pundits are surprised at the timing considering the poor sales and lack of consumer support at the current prices. Car sales grew just 5 percent in volume in calendar 2024, the slowest in 4 years. It would have been worse had it not been for a spike in the popularity of sports utility vehicles that made up 54 percent of the total sales.

This February, while car production went up by a marginal 2 percent, the Federation of Automobile Dealers Associations reported a fall of 7 percent in retail sales. Passenger cars fared worse than the average, with sales falling 10 percent to 3,03,398 units; and even the sales of the common man's two-wheelers dropped 6 percent. Commercial vehicle and tractor sales dropped 9 percent and 1.5 percent. Electric vehicles, that had a robust 2024 with a 27 percent growth, registered a 1.9 percent year-on-year decline in February and a 18.2 percent fall from the previous month to 1.39 lakh units.

Dealers report no supply chain issues; nor have there been any major disruptions or rate increases by original equipment manufacturers to justify the price hikes now. Therefore, the move perplexingly seems self-defeating. Perhaps the business plan of these companies for a period of tepid demand is to simply raise the topline. But this could push the brakes farther down on consumer spends. As it is, car prices are quite high. A decent sedan can hardly be had for less than ₹15-20 lakh, while a good-sized SUV will be in the ₹40-lakh range. The sharp fall in two-wheeler sales to 13.53 lakh units this February shows mass resistance to the current prices. As other markets have demonstrated, instead of pushing growth through price rises, car companies should launch a wider range of models at a higher frequency to attract more customers. Another way to bring these companies to heel is to improve the standard and variety of public transportation in and between cities.

GOVT MUST STEP IN TO CURB ABUSE OF ELDERS

IN what could be a sign of our disturbed times, there is an emerging trend of aged parents being abandoned in Karnataka's government hospitals. At least 150 senior citizens have been left to the mercy of the authorities in the Belagavi Institute of Medical Sciences, and there are over 100 similar cases in government hospitals across the state. While the pressures of cost and caregiving are the usual reasons for desertion, a chilling commonality is that many of the elders have signed over their properties to their children. The number is high enough for the Karnataka government to take up the issue seriously, and seek solutions to what is essentially a family issue but could turn into a societal malaise. Hospital authorities are now arranging for their stay in retirement homes.

Terming it a "shocking and inhumane" trend, medical education minister Sharan Prakash Patil has asked institute directors to file complaints with assistant commissioners for action against families which have abandoned their elders, and also proposed cancellation of wills and property transfers. Revenue minister Krishna Byre Gowda took up the issue in the legislative council, saying that under Section 23 of the Senior Citizens Act 2007, children who abandon their parents can be deprived of inheritance rights. The law mandates that children or relatives must provide financial and medical support to senior citizens, who have the right to cancel property transfers.

Elder abuse is becoming increasingly common across India, ironically known for close-knit families. One survey by the International Institute for Population Sciences shows that 10.11 percent of the elders in Karnataka have been abused, second only to Bihar at 11.65 percent. Women are an easier target everywhere. Bengaluru can hang its head in shame, with 16 percent of its elderly population reporting abuse—verbal, financial, emotional, physical and plain neglect. Daughters-in-law are the main perpetrators, followed by sons, sons-in-law and other kin. Nationally, sons are the biggest villains, followed by relatives and daughters-in-law. Such abuse, often unseen and unheard, can drive seniors to depression and worse. The Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens (Amendment) Bill 2019 proposes a fine and imprisonment of 3-6 months for abusers. It's unfortunate that if families cannot fulfil their duties, governments will have to crack down to enforce the rights of elders.

QUICK TAKE

POLITICS OF TEACHER TRANSFERS

SCHOOLTEACHERS forgo weeks of teaching to attend to their duties as election workers. Those advocating simultaneous elections put this up as an ill that would be curbed by their proposed system. But new research by Emmerich Davies of Brown University's Saxena Centre for Contemporary South Asia has brought up more nuances. It shows that teacher absenteeism drops the year before an election and peaks the year after. The reasons include transfers influenced by politicians given as a reward for 'delivering' good voter performance. One way to increase probity in education and politics would be for state public service commissions to decide all teacher transfers in a transparent way.

Dislocation between economic prosperity and political clout poses an existential threat to India. Kicking the problem to the future would be abdication of patriotic duty

THREE WAYS OUT OF DELIMITATION LABYRINTH

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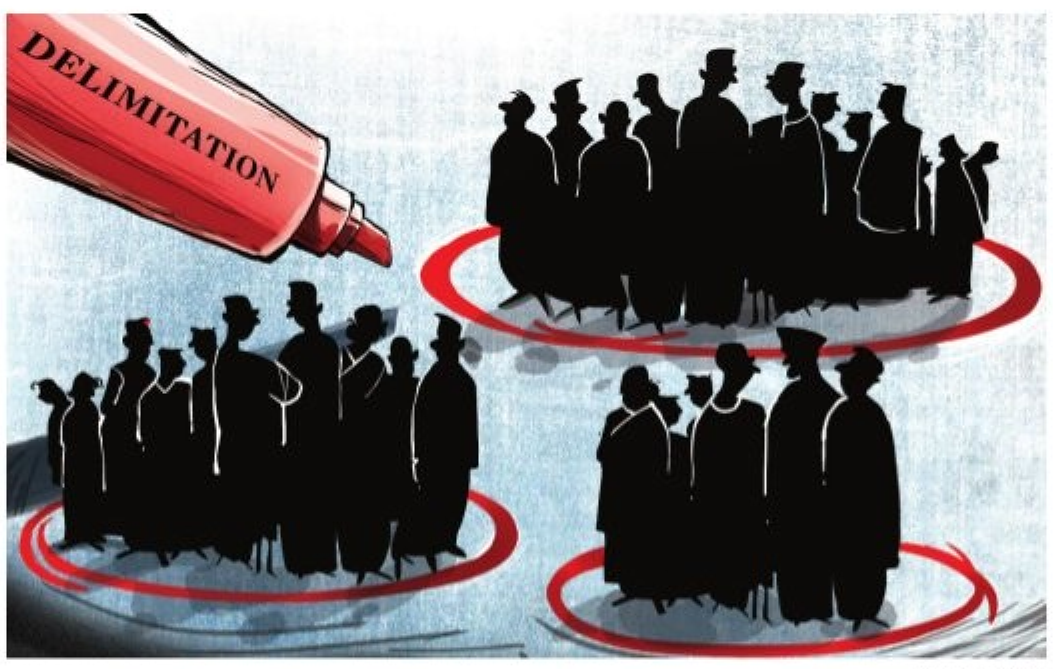
THE PENINSULA



MANDAR PARDIKAR

MANY eminent people have been writing about the delimitation problem that is an important dimension of the divide between the peninsula and the Great Indian Plain (GIP), a polite geographical term for northern and eastern India.

The proposals to address the problem—kick it to 2051, create different representation structures, etc—are all technocratic. However, delimitation is a political economy issue, and can only be addressed through a change in the extant political settlement that underpins the foundations of India's democracy.

Let me define the issue as I see it. The majority of voting Indians live in the GIP; a minority live in the peninsula. This problem has worsened over time due to divergent fertility rates. In parallel, a new divergence has emerged: the economic prosperity of the peninsula is now several times greater than that of the GIP. Uttar Pradesh and Bihar have per capita incomes lower than Nepal's and human development indicators that rank alongside poor African countries. Tamil Nadu and Kerala have per capita incomes three times higher than those GIP states', and human development levels comparable with upper-middle-income countries'.

This is a fairly rare situation. In federal polities like the US, Canada, Australia, Brazil, Indonesia and the European Union, the economically prosperous regions are also where the majorities live. Hence, political and economic powers are synchronised. It is only in the former USSR and the former Yugoslavia that I observe the Indian case replicated.

This is, therefore, an existential question. When economic prosperity vests with majority-population regions, they can conceivably subsidise the minority in perpetuity, or at least until prosperity is more equalised. When this is not the case—that is, when an economically prosperous minority subsidises a politically powerful but poor majority—an existential conflict is bound to occur.

The outcomes of this problem depend on whether the economic prosperity and/or voting population numbers of the GIP and the peninsula can converge. I see three scenarios that can deliver a positive outcome.

One, GIP income grows faster than the peninsula's, so there is convergence. This would lead to an increase in the GIP's contribution to public revenues and alleviate the discomfort that is caused by the income distance parameter (inverse of per capita income) having the biggest weight in the Finance Commission's horizontal devolution formula.

Prognosis: This could have worked 15 years ago. But with a 300 percent differential in per capita income and quality of human capital today, moving the needle would take a very long time. Still, if policymakers are able to come up with a credible strategy to do this, then we would possibly propose a grand bargain whereby delimitation is postponed until the results of economic convergence are both visible and stable.

Two, there is a sharp increase in population movement from the GIP to the peninsula, equalising both population and economic prosperity. Migration would make Biharis into Malayalis, Rajasthanis into Telugus etc.

Prognosis: If this happens at scale, and assimilation happens across 2-3 generations, then delimitation can be consensually postponed until such assimilation happens.

The Indian social fabric is a binding constraint. There is limited linguistic, cultural and caste interoperability between the GIP and the peninsula. Some successful upper castes like the Brahmins and Baniyas have already done this. My grandfather's family migrated from present-day Bangladesh 117 years ago, and the following two generations chose peninsular spouses—with the result that, in my generation, there is complete assimilation. But this happened because of caste interoperability across GIP and peninsular Brahmins. Other than Vaishyas and some Muslims, this is unlikely to unify other social groups. Also, attachment to land means that primordial links to the less prosperous GIP would endure.

The persistence of feudalism and cheap informal activities in the peninsula are fed by streams of migrants from the GIP. Such migration—the equivalent of working in a third-rate Dubai—does not bring convergence. On the contrary, the power asymmetry heightens tension.

Three, the prosperity of the peninsula increases to 10-15 times the GIP's.

Prognosis: The sheer economic power of the peninsula would lead to an overwhelming economic control over assets and political power across the nation, irrespective of population. A peninsula with such high prosperity would be globally well integrated.

But such a quantum development transformation in the peninsula would need a social revolution that breaks the primordial bonds that tie it to the GIP—including misogyny, caste exploitation, superstition, and the persistence of a large informal sector. Transcending these limitations needs a vision for prosperity going beyond squabbling over zero-sum games like who contributes how much tax and linguistic quibbles.

I have outlined three future scenarios that can produce positive outcomes. All of them require a new political settlement: for the first two between the GIP and the peninsula, and for the third, some introspective transformation in the peninsula, notwithstanding Delhi's attempts to impose cultural uniformity and fiscal oppression.

The bottomline: Solutions to the delimitation challenge require proposing, defining and executing political settlements that bring forth a positive outcome. There is no question in my mind that any such outcome will need to be prosperity-based. Unfortunately, what India—be it the GIP or the peninsula—lacks today is an ideology of prosperity within which to frame such a political settlement.

Mere technical fixes to kick the problem into the future are a serious abdication of patriotic responsibility. We would do well to bear in mind that nation states have a limited shelf-life without continuous action to address existential threats. And I can think of no greater threat to the fabulous and hitherto-successful project of building a united and prosperous India than that signalled by the delimitation conundrum.

(Views are personal)

WHEN FANTASTIC FUTURES BECOME HISTORY FORETOLD

C P SURENDRAN

Poet, novelist, and screenplay writer. His latest novel is *One Love and the Many Lives of Osip B*

IN *The Man in the High Castle* (1962), author Philip K Dick imagines an alternative history where the Axis powers win the Second World War, and the US is divided between Nazi Germany and Imperial Japan. In the TV adaptation of the novel, there's a shocking scene depicting a conquered New York bedecked with Nazi imagery, including swastikas in Times Square. It is still quite a chilling possibility—if you substituted China for Germany and Xi for Hitler.

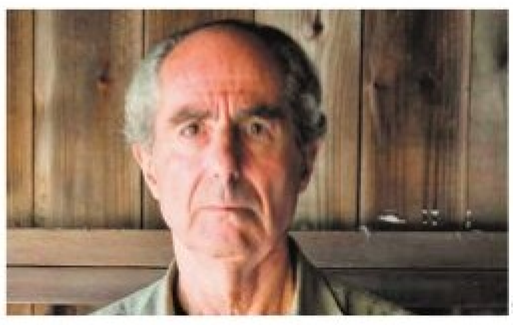
The story follows a San Francisco woman who stumbles into the resistance after her sister is killed for possessing mysterious newsreels—films showing an alternative reality where the Allies won. These reels, created by the elusive 'Man in the High Castle', hint at other worlds, shaking the regime's grip. She teams up with a double agent torn between Nazi loyalty and doubt, and a Japanese trade minister wrestling with his empire's brutality.

In *The Clash of Civilizations and the Remaking of World Order* (1996), Samuel Huntington writes that post-Cold War conflicts won't primarily stem from ideology (capitalism vs communism) or economics but from cultural and civilisational differences. Huntington divides the world into major civilisations—Western (US, Europe), Islamic, Sinic (China), Hindu (India), Orthodox (Russia), Japanese, Latin American, and African—arguing that their values, histories, and identities are fundamentally at odds. The West, led by America, would face growing friction with others, especially the Islamic world and China, as global power decentralises. He predicts "fault-line conflicts" (say, Islam vs West) and "core state" rivalries (US vs China), with alliances forming along civilisational lines. The West's push for universal values—democracy, individualism—would provoke retaliation from places like China. Civilisations don't meld; they collide like continental plates.

An alternative history unfolds in Philip Roth's novel, *The Plot Against America* (2004). Charles Lindbergh, a famed aviator with known isolationist and sympathetic views toward Nazi Germany, defeats Franklin D Roosevelt in 1940. Lindbergh's presidency leads to an 'America First' agenda that aligns the US with Nazi Germany, implementing anti-semitic policies and fostering a fascistic state.

Roth's novel doesn't depict a full Nazi takeover in the style of, say, a military occupation, but rather a creeping authoritarianism and cultural shift that mirrors aspects of Nazi ideology—anti-semitism, isolationism and suppression of dissent—adapted to an American context.

It's a comically chilling, character-driven exploration of how democratic ideals can erode under populist demagoguery. All you need to do is replace Lindbergh with Donald Trump, and you will have a rough idea of where we, or they, are headed.



Several books from the past that outline alternative histories seem to be coming true in the present. What's happening in Trump's US is chillingly similar to how Philip Roth's novel, *The Plot Against America*, imagined a country where Nazi sympathiser Charles Lindbergh defeats Franklin D Roosevelt in 1940

In *Submission* (2015), Michel Houellebecq thinks up a situation in which a Muslim party upholding Islamist and patriarchal values can win the 2022 French presidential election with the support of the Socialist Party. The novel was released on the day of the *Charlie Hebdo* shooting.

All these works, in one way or another, anticipate our present world. A world in which things are changing so fast that it is almost stupid to react to any one incident. The pace encourages witnessing, not participation.

What is happening in the US just now is *The Plot Against America* thickening from within. As a result, America is no longer the global police of democracy. Last fortnight, US Vice President J D Vance, whose wife is of Indian origin, said in Munich at an international securities conference that mass immigration championed by the left parties should stop as it weakens the Western values of secularism and free speech in all of Europe. The whites will lose their identity soon, he implied, notwithstanding his own children. Never mind the irony of a conservative leader raising his hand for free speech and related democratic values.

After his humiliating visit to the US, where both Vance and Trump hectored Ukraine's Volodymyr Zelenskyy to bend his knees before Russia's Vladimir Putin, the Ukrainian president called for Europe to form a common force to defend the continent's democratic and liberal values. In this context, recall Trump's desire to appropriate Greenland and Canada. It's a kind of Hitlerian Anschluss he is talking about.

Race and religion, contrary to the woke model, present themselves as great, defining factors in politics. India is a case in point. Even more than Narendra Modi's developmental politics, religion and race are the reasons why the BJP is in power for the third consecutive term. And may hold good for a fourth. The trouble with the Left is the liberal ideology divides people into smaller and smaller identity groupings. LGBTQ, for example. As it happens, it is divisive.

The Right is looking at large groupings. The former encourages denominational politics. The latter strives to consolidate people into large militant groups. In large groups, individuating features are not of priority. The uniform is: khakis for RSS, red caps for MAGA.

Since the Second World War, the US has had hundreds of foreign military bases. But Trump's America is a critique of post-war politics, culture and economy. It is, of course, possible that the Third World War is already underway. It is just that we don't know the form it has taken. Time again to read the doomsayers and their damned books. Before they are burnt.

(Views are personal)

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Lingua franca

Ref: *What cleaves us apart can bring us together* (Mar 18). The column highlights India's linguistic diversity and the problems and opportunities it presents. However, I feel it is essential for a large country like India to have at least one common language. It can be Hindi or English. This helps eliminate barriers and bring people closer.

Vijaya Raj Nandani, Purnea

Broader perspective

Those who are passionate about a language help develop it and showcase its richness to the world. What we are witnessing now is just tokenism. People can appreciate all languages, and there is no harm in learning more than one, as the author points out. However, those who are confined to their narrow views fail to recognise this.

P Prema, Thanjavur

Campus menace

Ref: *The growing crisis of ragging in Kerala* (Mar 18). Cases of ragging have indeed gone up. It's shocking to learn that even weapons have been found on campuses. Educational institutions are places where students come to acquire knowledge. There is no room for depravity here. Those in power must rise above politics and address the issue effectively.

M Haneef, Kottayam

Upbringing counts

The writer is wrong in putting the blame solely on the political support enjoyed by the culprits. Improper upbringing and easy access to drugs and other intoxicants are the key factors to blame. Parents must take care to spend time with their young children. Teach them what is good and bad.

Sanath Kumar T S, Thrissur

Ensure safety

It is very disturbing to note that students in Kerala's colleges have become so inhumane. They are engaging in such barbarity because of the political support they enjoy. The government of the day must take necessary action to address the crisis. Other political parties, student leaders must also do their part to ensure Kerala campuses are safe for all students.

V Venkitasubramanian, Coimbatore

Deep bond

Ref: *Modi's bond of trust with Trump not shallow* (Mar 18). Prime Minister Narendra Modi's bond of trust with US President Donald Trump is indeed very deep. The two countries share common interests on a range of issues. Trump and Modi have a pragmatic approach that puts national interest above all.

Venkat Desikan, Chennai

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Mamata Banerjee @MamataOfficial

While others merely claim to uphold 'unity in diversity,' we embody these values in spirit and action. In Bengal, people of all faiths stand together.

Rahul Gandhi @RahulGandhi

The Congress govt fulfilled its promise of increasing OBC reservation in Telangana. This is indeed a revolutionary step towards social justice.

Yogi Adityanath @myogiadityanath

'Faith' can be a means of livelihood and become a factor in the prosperity of the nation. Maha Kumbh, Prayagraj has also presented this example.

● Mega fair a huge display of unity, says PM; Oppn questions silence on stampede deaths ● State's growth will be fast-tracked, says FM

Uproar over Modi's Maha Kumbh remarks

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday hailed the recent Maha Kumbh in Prayagraj saying that it gave a befitting response to those who questioned India's collective strength to organise such a large congregation. His statement in the Lok Sabha invited protests from the Opposition who sought to know why the PM chose not to speak about the lives lost in the stampede during the event.

PM Narendra Modi speaks in the Lok Sabha during the Budget session of Parliament, in New Delhi on Tuesday | PTI

Modi said the huge display of unity at the Maha Kumbh was India's strength, particularly at a time the world was in disarray. "Throughout history, there have been defining moments that become examples for generations to come," he said. "Our nation, too, has witnessed such moments that have given it a new direction and awakened its people ... Similarly, our freedom struggle was marked by several such turning points -- the revolt of 1857, the martyrdom of Veer Bhagat Singh, Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose's clarion call of 'Delhi Chalo', and Mahatma Gandhi's Dandi March," Modi said.

"People put aside their egos and gathered in Prayagraj with the feeling of 'we' and not 'I'. The Maha Kumbh demonstrated that there was no distinction between big and small," he added. Recalling his recent visit to Mauritius, Modi said the atmosphere of devotion, faith and celebration was truly remarkable the moment holy water from the Triveni Sangam in Prayagraj was offered at the Ganga Talab.

Later, the Opposition bench erupted in protest after Speaker Om Birla refused to pay heed to Leader of Opposition Rahul Gandhi, who sought a discussion on the Maha Kumbh. The Opposition MPs rushed to the well of the House and sought to know under what rule the PM was allowed to speak.

Birla cited Rule 372 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business that allows the PM and ministers to make a statement in the House but no questions are permitted after the statement. The House was later adjourned for 30 minutes as the Opposition continued sloganeering. Rahul said the PM didn't pay homage to those who lost their lives in Maha Kumbh stampede. "I wanted to support what the PM said. Kumbh is our history and culture. Our only complaint is that the PM did not pay condolences to those who lost their lives in Kumbh," he said.

Sitharaman says govt committed to Manipur peace

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR
@ New Delhi

FINANCE Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Tuesday reaffirmed the Centre's commitment to restoring normalcy in Manipur and pushing for the state's economic growth. Responding to a discussion in the Rajya Sabha on the passage of the Manipur Budget for the current fiscal year and the vote on account for the first six months of 2025-26, she urged Opposition parties to support efforts for peace in Manipur rather than engage in political blame games.

Addressing allegations from the Opposition regarding Prime Minister Narendra Modi not visiting the violence-affected state, Sitharaman countered by noting that previous Prime Ministers, including PV Narasimha Rao and IK Gujral, had not visited Manipur during similar crises. Acknowledging that the violence had negatively impacted economic activity, she expressed confidence in the state's swift recovery.

She highlighted the visits by the Union Home Minister and his MoS as part of the Centre's efforts to restore normalcy and said, "We are committed to getting that state back to some normalcy, and we want that state to grow and prosper as much as any other state."

She expected economic activity in Manipur to pick up shortly. "With improvement in law and order and consequent improvement in economic activity, I expect GSDP to show some recovery this year onwards."

She responded to the Opposition taunt of the "double engine sarkar" in Manipur saying, "Double engine, of course, double engine. That is why the Home Minister was there for four days, and that is why MoS Home was there for more than 23 days. So, please don't compare how Congress handled Manipur and how this government is handling Manipur. We have greater sensitivity; we care for Manipur and every state of this country."

No discrimination against farmers of any state: Shivraj

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

AGRICULTURE Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan on Tuesday said the Centre will not discriminate against farmers from any state, be it from Kerala or Karnataka, if a natural disaster strikes.

Replying to supplementaries in the Lok Sabha, Chouhan said under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the government will leave no stone unturned to ensure the welfare of farmers.

"A farmer is a farmer, be it from Kerala, Karnataka or any other part of the country. We all are children of Mother India and there is no scope for any discrimination against anyone," Chouhan said in response to a question from Congress member Priyanka Gandhi Vadra.

Vadra had sought an update on the implementation of the Vidarbha package, under which Kerala's Wayanad, Palakkad and Kasargod districts were also included, for farmers.

Chouhan said the Centre had stepped in to purchase red chilli for more than ₹11,000 per quintal when its prices had declined in the wholesale markets.

Sonia seeks ₹400 daily wage, 150 workdays a yr under rural job scheme

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

CONGRESS leader Sonia Gandhi on Tuesday accused the BJP-led Centre of systematically undermining of the rural employment guarantee scheme MGNREGA, and demanded raising of minimum wage under it to ₹400 per day and the number of guaranteed workdays to 150 a year.

Raising the issue through a Zero Hour mention in the Rajya Sabha, she alleged that the current government has reduced budgetary allocation for the scheme, introduced during the UPA government under then PM Manmohan Singh in 2005.

"Adequate financial provisions must be made to sustain and expand the scheme in the larger interest of the rural poor. Minimum wage should be raised to ₹400 per day along with the timely disbursement of wages and an increase in guaranteed workdays from 100 to 150 per year," Sonia Gandhi said.

She said, "This landmark legislation has been a crucial safety net for millions of rural poor. However, it is deeply concerning that the present BJP government has systematically undermined the scheme."

She said the budgetary allocation for the scheme has stagnated at ₹86,000 crore, which is almost a 10-year low as a percentage of GDP. "I am deeply concerned that the present BJP government has systematically undermined the scheme and the budget allocation remains stagnant at ₹86,000 crore. The allocation in the budget has actually declined by ₹4,000 crore," she said.

The Congress leader said, "The scheme faces multiple challenges, including the exclusionary Aadhaar-based payment and the National Mobile Monitoring System, persistent delays in wage payment and wage rates not adequate to compensate for inflation." She strongly demanded the removal of the mandatory Aadhaar-based payment system and National Mobile Monitoring System requirements.

Congress MP Sonia Gandhi speaking in the Rajya Sabha on Tuesday| PTI

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TMC MPs stage walkout over FM's Manipur reply

Trinamool Congress MPs staged a walkout from the Rajya Sabha saying they were dissatisfied with the "superficial" reply of Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Manipur budget. She said Manipur had gone through several crises over decades.

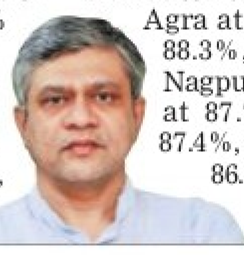
Punctuality 'on track' as Vaishnaw tears into Oppn

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

RAILWAY Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw on Tuesday dismissed Opposition allegations regarding train punctuality, informing the Lok Sabha that 32 railway divisions have achieved over 90% punctuality while 17 out of 68 divisions maintain more than 80% punctuality.

The Bhavnagar rail division under Western Railway holds the top position for punctuality, maintaining a rate of over 99.6%. Following closely are the Madurai division at 99.2%, Ratlam at 98.9%, Bikaner at 98.1%, Sealdah at 98%, Rajkot at 97.7%, Ajmer at 97.1%, and Jodhpur at 96.1%.

Other divisions among the 32 that have surpassed 90% punctuality include Kota and Guntur, both with 95.7%, Ahmedabad at 95.1%, Bangalore and Alipur Duar at 94.4%, Guntakal at 94.3%, Mumbai Central at 92.9%, and Trivandrum at 91.3%, among others. The Vijayawada rail division, with 89.5% punctuality, leads the 17 divisions that have achieved over 80% punctuality. It is followed by Firozpur division at 89.2%, Sonpur at 88.6%, Agra at 88.3%, Rangiya at 88.3%, Malda at 88.1%, Nagpur at 87.8%, Ranchi at 87.7%, Bhusaval at 87.4%, and Samastipur at 86.7%.



He said over 13,000 passenger trains are currently in operation, including 4,111 mail and express trains, 3,313 passenger trains, and 5,774 suburban trains. Vaishnaw stated 17,330 trains were operated during the Mahakumbh period. Additionally, 1,107 special trains were arranged to accommodate the Holi rush. The number of Holi special trains has consistently increased, from 604 in 2023-24 to 1,107 in 2024-25.

JAISHANKAR CALLS OUT 'DOUBLE STANDARDS' OF WEST ON KASHMIR

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar on Tuesday criticised the West's double standards on the Kashmir issue, pointing out that what was originally seen as an "invasion" had been reframed as a "dispute." He also underlined the need for a "strong and fair" United Nations.

He highlighted the contrasting narratives– when the West intervenes in other countries, it is framed as a pursuit of democratic freedoms, while when other nations engage with the West, it is viewed as having a "malign intention."

Speaking at the Raisina Dialogue 2025, Jaishankar also criticised the United Nations for reclassifying the Kashmir invasion as a "dispute," equating the aggressor with victim.

"After World War II, the longest-standing illegal presence and occupation of a territory by another country pertains to India in Kashmir, Jaishankar said, listing UK, Canada, Belgium, Australia and the US as the "culpable parties."

"We all speak of sovereignty and territorial integrity. It's a vital principle and the bedrock of global rules. After World War II, the longest-standing illegal presence and occupation of a territory by another country pertains to India in Kashmir. We went to the UN. What was an invasion was made into a dispute," he said.

He added, "We speak today of political interference. When the West goes out to other countries, it's in pursuance of democratic freedoms. When other countries come into the West, it seems to have a very malign intention. If we need to have an order, there must be fairness."

MODI SHARES TRUMP'S COMMITMENT TO PEACE, SAYS GABBARD

Enduring strength of India-US partnership

Gabbard talked about "enduring strength" of the India and US partnership and the personal rapport between Narendra Modi and Trump. "Partnership between our two countries has been strong for decades," Gabbard said.

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

STRESSING that 'America first' doesn't mean 'America alone,' United States National Intelligence Director Tulsi Gabbard said on Tuesday that Prime Minister Narendra Modi shares President Donald Trump's commitment to peace.

At the Raisina Dialogue on Tuesday, Gabbard said, "President Trump is committed to 'America first,' but this should not be misunderstood to mean 'America alone.' The relationships we build together are essential to advance our mutual interests."

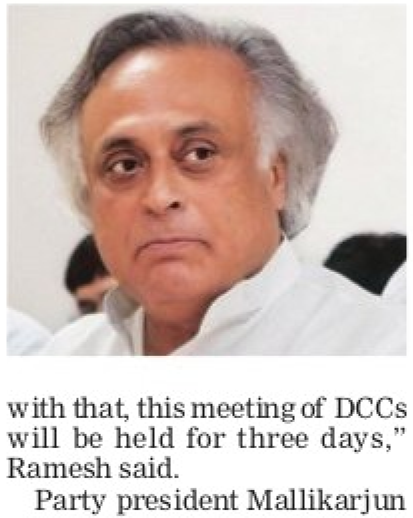
Gabbard also talked about the "enduring strength" of the India-US partnership and the personal rapport between Modi and Trump. "The partnership between our two countries has been strong for decades," Gabbard said.

She attributed the deepening of bilateral ties to President Trump's approach to foreign policy, which she described as grounded in "realism and pragmatism." "President Trump remains committed to achieving peace through a strategy of realism and pragmatism," she said, reinforcing his dedication to global peace through practical means.

District units to be focal point of party organisation: Jairam; meet on Mar 27

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

THE Congress will hold a meeting of District Congress Committees from across the country for three days ahead of its All India Congress Committee session on April 8 and 9 in Ahmedabad. The conference, taking place after 15 years, is aimed at empowering the district units and making them the focal point of the organisation.



Congress general secretary in charge of communications Jairam Ramesh said the DCC presidents will be meeting on March 27, 28 and April 3 in three batches at the Indira Gandhi Bhawan in the capital.

"The meeting on March 27, 28 and April 3 will focus on how to bring the party's district units to the centre of the organisation. In Belagavi, the 'Nav Satyagraha Sankalp' had stated that 2025 will be the year of strengthening the organisation. In line with that, this meeting of DCCs will be held for three days," Ramesh said.

Party president Mallikarjun Kharge and Rahul Gandhi met party general secretaries and in-charges of various states on Tuesday. AICC general secretaries Ramesh, K C Venugopal, Ajay Maken, Bhupesh Baghel, Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, Ramesh Chennithala, Mukul Wasnik, Kumari Selja, Jitendra Singh, Sachin Pilot, Avinash Pande, Randeep Surjewala and Deepa Dasmunshi, among others, were present at the meeting held at the party headquarters. This will be the fourth AICC session in Gujarat, after the 1907 session in Surat, the 1938 session in Haripura and the 1961 session in Bhavnagar. Speaking to reporters, Wasnik said Gujarat holds a special place in the Independence struggle as it was there that the Dandi March and the Bardoli Satyagraha took place.

"This year, the country will celebrate Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's 150th birth anniversary and this [AICC] session held in Gujarat should be seen in that context," he said.

"On April 8, an extended Congress Working Committee meeting will take place. The AICC resolution will be deliberated upon and a final shape will be given to it. On April 9, it will be presented before the session," he added.

SC asks EC to examine pleas seeking disclosure of turnout data in 48 hours

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY
@ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Tuesday asked the Election Commission of India (ECI) to examine pleas seeking disclosure of final authenticated data of voter turnout in all polling stations within 48 hours of the polling. A three-judge bench, comprising Chief Justice Sanjiv Khanna and Justices Sanjay Kumar and KV Viswanathan, was hearing two PILs filed by Trinamool Congress MP Mahua Moitra and NGO Association for Democratic Reforms (ADR) in 2019.

The top court noted the ECI's submission that it was willing to deliberate over the demand for uploading polling booth-wise voter turnout data on its website. It asked the petitioners to make representations before the poll panel in 10 days.

Senior advocate Maninder Singh, appearing for the poll panel, said Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar wanted to discuss the grievance.

The CJI then said, "In the meanwhile, the counsel for EC states that the petitioners (the NGO and MP) may file a representation with the Election Commission and the EC will give them a hearing and inform them in advance. Let the representation be made in 10 days."

During the hearing, advocate Prashant Bhushan, appearing for the NGO, said there were huge discrepancies on the EVM count and the number of persons coming to cast vote at the polling stations.

Centre to revive tradition of Kamba Ramayana

PARVEZ SULTAN @ New Delhi

WITH an aim to preserve and promote the Kamba Ramayana, one of the most significant works in Tamil literature, the Ministry of Culture on Tuesday launched a comprehensive initiative; a festival, which is series of performances, workshops, symposia, and educational competitions to ensure that future generation can connect with the epic text.

Union culture and tourism minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat inaugurated the festival at the Srirangam Temple, with recitals and performances by Kamba Ramayana Mandali (cultural troupes) from Tamil Nadu. The performances will be held at prominent temples across the state including Thirupullani Uthangudi, Madurantakam, Thiruneermalai and Vaduvur.

Shekhawat termed the occasion significant, which reaffirms the timeless bond that links the ancient epic of India with present life.

"As we embark on this festival, we are reminded of the profound impact that Kamba Ramayana had on the cultural landscape of only Tamil Nadu but the entire south India and beyond the boundaries of our country. Across India and indeed across the world, the Ramayana has been a source of inspiration, guidance and cultural expression for centuries," he said.

According to the ministry officials, the aim is to revive the oral tradition of 'Kamba Ramayana' recitals and its broader cultural impact. The South Zone Cultural Centre (SZCC) of the ministry is organising the event.

The festival is spread over two distinct phases, each contributing to the preservation and spread of Kamba Ramayana. After the inaugural phase, a week-long immersive festival will be held at Kambar-Medu, the birthplace of Kambar in Therazhundur starting March 30.

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J&K ON ALERT

A high-security alert has been sounded across Jammu and Kashmir in view of the recent terror attacks in Pakistan, including the killing of a top commander of Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT), officials said on Tuesday.

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Chennai	32	28	Port Blair	31	28
Kolkata	36	27	Imphal	28	14
Srinagar	14	03	Chandigarh	31	17

Taking a cue from Chhaava film, Nagpur attack planned: Fadnavis

CM says movie fuelled anger against Aurangzeb, action will be taken over attacks on police

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @Mumbai

BJP making inflammatory statements, says Cong

Congress Legislative Party leader Vijay Wadettiwar accused BJP of making inflammatory statements over the last 15 days, causing enmity between communities. "Maintaining law and order is the responsibility of the incumbent government, but the government and its ministers are encouraging the violence that burned Nagpur," Wadettiwar said.

MAHARASHTRA Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis on Tuesday claimed that the violence in Nagpur, triggered by protests against protests against Aurangzeb's tomb, was premeditated. He attributed the heightened emotions to the release of the movie 'Chhaava', which depicted the brutal atrocities committed by Aurangzeb against Sambhaji Maharaj.

The violence on Monday night left 33 police personnel, including three DCP-level officers, and five civilians injured. More than 50 people were taken into custody and curfew was imposed in parts of Nagpur after the violence. "Five FIRs have been registered in connection with the violence," Nagpur police commissioner Ravinder Kumar Singal said.

Fadnavis claimed the film 'Chhava'had heightened anger against Aurangzeb. "I do not want to blame or criticise any movie, but due to 'Chhaava', people's sentiments have been charged up. People are also expressing their anger against Aurangzeb. Despite this, we must maintain law and order in Maharashtra," the CM said.

He urged people to remain peaceful to ensure the state's development. "We have to restrain ourselves and not take the law into our hands. We will not spare anyone who has attacked the police. In this violence, 33 police officers, including three DCP-level officials, and five civilians were injured. Two JCBs and motorbikes were also burned and damaged. We will not spare anyone who incited or participated in the violence," he said.

The chief minister also alleged that the violence was premeditated. "Police recovered a tempo full of stones and weapons. In the morning, after skirmishes, the situation was under control, but by evening, things escalated. This shows the violence was preplanned," Fadnavis said.

The opposition has blamed the MahaYuti government for provoking the unrest by revisiting the 400-year-old issue of Aurangzeb's tomb.

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Shiv Sena (UBT) leader Sanjay Raut criticised Fadnavis for deflecting his responsibility and blaming Bollywood films. "By blaming 'Chhava' for the Nagpur violence, Fadnavis is shrugging off his responsibility. He is the home minister and hails from Nagpur, so he must have been aware of what was going to happen. Despite that, he did not prevent or contain the violence," Raut said.

He alleged that the BJP and its leaders were attempting to incite communal riots to divert attention from real issues. "Peace-loving people must come together to maintain law and order in the state," he said. Deputy CM Eknath Shinde said the Opposition should restrain from making any negative comment against Fadnavis.

ED summons Lalu in land-for-job scam case today

RAMASHANKAR @Patna

RJD supremo Lalu Prasad has been asked to appear before the Enforcement Directorate on Wednesday for questioning in the money laundering case linked to land-for-job scam in the Railways. His wife and former Bihar chief minister Rabri Devi and their eldest son Tej Pratap Yadav submitted themselves to interrogation on Tuesday in the case in Patna.

A source in the ED said that fresh evidence in the case against Lalu Prasad necessitated further interrogation.

Rabri Devi, the leader of the opposition in the legislative council, reached the ED office around 11 am. Daughter and MP Misa Bharti accompanied her. This is Rabri Devi's third appearance in the past two years.

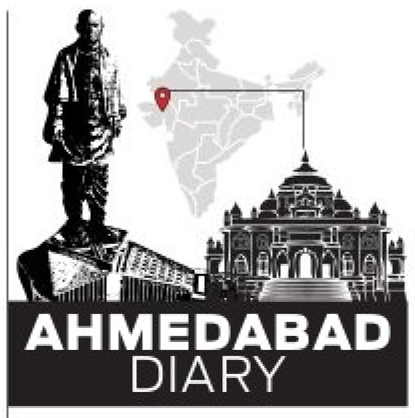
She was asked to explain how her younger son, Tejashwi Prasad Yadav, purchased a palatial bungalow in Delhi's Friends Colony and from where he managed the resources. The bungalow purchased for a mere ₹4 lakh is estimated to be worth around ₹150 crore.

She was also asked to explain how she purchased a plot of land in Danapur, where an apartment complex later came up. The ED officials asked her if she knew the man who sold the property and how he came into contact with her family.

RJD supporters who had gathered in large numbers shouted slogans against the ED and BJP, accusing them of harassing her family.

Rabri's eldest son and Hasanpur MLA Tej Pratap reached the office of the probe agency at around 2 pm. He was quizzed for nearly four hours before being allowed to leave the office.

Meanwhile, the last time Lalu was questioned in the case was on January 29, 2024. In 2023, Rabri, Misa Bharti and Tejashwi were quizzed in the case. On March 11 this year, Tej Pratap and his sister Hema Yadav were deposed before the South Avenue Court in New Delhi, which granted them bail.



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Junagadh MP in BJP state president race?

The BJP's search for a new state president has been dragging on, with names surfacing and fading in quick succession. Now, Junagadh MP Rajesh Chudasama has entered the fray. The buzz? BJP is keen on an OBC leader to take the reins. Young and politically seasoned, Chudasama has a one-term MLA and three-term MP track record. His credentials don't stop there—he recently defeated Congress MLA Vimal Chudasama in Junagadh's municipal elections. His OBC background and Saurashtra roots, a BJP stronghold, further strengthen his case. With party insiders rallying behind him, will Chudasama emerge as BJP's next state chief?

Ex-Congress strategist targets Rahul in House

Arjun Modhwadia, once a Congress strategist and close aide of Ahmed Patel and now a BJP MLA from Porbandar, targeted Rahul Gandhi in the Gujarat Assembly on Tuesday. Modhwadia accused Rahul of insulting India abroad and Congressmen at home, claiming he sees Gujarat Congress leaders as either racehorses or wedding horses but has failed to recognise the difference between a horse and a rider even after years in politics. He went further, saying Rahul doesn't understand Gujarat politics and that Congress is now unfit to be an opposition party.

MLAs high on wealth but low on degrees

Gujarat's 180 MLAs collectively hold ₹3,009 crore in assets, yet 55% are not even graduates, according to an ADR report. A staggering 98 MLAs have studied only up to Class 5 or 12, or hold diplomas. Nationally, 35% of MLAs lack a graduation degree, while 24% have postgraduate or higher qualifications. Women remain underrepresented—only 10% of India's MLAs are women, with Gujarat contributing only 14 female legislators. Adding to the mix, 21% of Gujarat's MLAs—37 in all—have criminal cases against them. On the wealth front, Mansa MLA Jayanti Patel leads the pack with ₹661 crore in assets.

₹80 cr gold, diamond watches, ₹1.37 cr cash seized in Gujarat raid

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THE Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) and Gujarat ATS raided a flat in Ahmedabad and unearthed 87.92 kg of smuggled gold bars worth ₹80 crore, many bearing foreign markings, officials said on Tuesday. Sleuths also seized 11 luxury watches, including a diamond-studded Patek Philippe, a Jacob & Co, and a Franck Muller, along with 19.66 kg of diamond and gemstone-studded jewellery and ₹1.37 crore cash.

The bust dealt a blow to smuggling networks, reinforcing DRI's mission to combat economic offences. Officials said scales were brought bring in to weigh the haul. "The cash-counting process continued till late on Monday night. Valuation of the jewellery is still underway," said an official involved in the operation.

The spotlight is now on Mahendra Shah and Megh Shah, who rented the flat at Paldi. Hinting at a smuggling network, officials found raw transaction entries worth crores locked inside a safe in the flat. Sources reveal that most of the seized gold was acquired in the past year and it raises questions on the scale of the operation.

"A DRI surveillance team tracked every visitor, vehicle, and movement near a seemingly locked Paldi flat for five days. It was found that despite the flat being shut, bags were being moved in and out almost every day, raising doubts," the official said. Before the raid, investigators found that a lawyer held the flats' key. They summoned him and opened the premises. The sources of gold, cash, and the smuggling routes taken remain under probe.

"Early findings point to a scandal much bigger than anticipated and leads suggest that the gold was procured using funds from 'dabba' trading and money laundering. The raid may just be the tip of a massive smuggling operation," the official said.

Sambhal admin denies nod to traditional mela

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THE western UP district of Sambhal has been in the news for quite some time for reasons galore. This time, it is the denial of permission by the authorities concerned to hold annual Neja Mela in the district this year. The district police authorities cited public objections against organising an event in the memory of Ghazi Sayyed Salar Masud, the nephew of Mahmud of Ghazni, the Turkish ruler who invaded India 17 times. The Neja (javelin) Mela is traditionally a week after Holi to commemorate Syed Salar Masud Ghazi. Mahmud of Ghazni had raided the Somnath temple in 1025 CE and was reportedly accompanied by Ghazi at the time.

Meanwhile, after denying permission to conduct the Mela, the Sambhal police held a flag march to avert any untoward incident. On Neja Mela, ASP Sambhal, Shirish Chandra said: "Neja fair had been organised in Sambhal for decades. It was factually found that this event is held in the memory of Ghazi Sayyad Salar Masud, who was a robber, a murderer and destroyer of many temples."

3 given death as Dehuli gets justice after 44 yrs of massacre of 24 dalits

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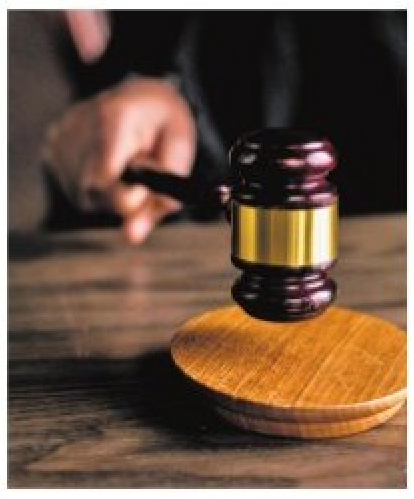

A special court of Mainpuri in central UP sentenced three persons to death for the massacre of 24 Dalits in Dehuli village of Jasrana in Firozabad district 44 years ago.

The 1981 mass killing shocked the nation at that time when a gang of dacoits disguised as cops entered the village and murdered the Dalits, including women and two children as young as two years and six months old, respectively.

On March 12, this year, special judge Indira Singh convicted the trio -- Kaptan Singh (now 60), Rampal (60), and Ram Sevak (70). The court also imposed penalties of ₹2 lakh each on two of the three accused and ₹1 lakh on the third.

The three convicts were taken to Mainpuri district jail following the court order.

The three were produced in court this morning amid tight security. After hearing all the sides, the court delivered the order.

The convicts broke down in court after the order was read out. Their relatives, waiting outside the court chambers, wailed as the convicts were removed to the jail.

They get 30 days to challenge the special court order in the High Court.

The Dehuli survivors still recall the events of the fated evening of November 18, 1981. Around 4.30 pm that evening, a gang of 17 dacoits, led by Radhe and Santosha, dressed in khakis, stormed the village.

They targeted a Dalit family, suspecting the members to be police informers. They gunned down 24 people, including two toddlers. The gang left nine persons injured.

The original FIR named 17 accused persons under Sections 302 (murder), 307 (attempt to murder), and 396 (dacoity with murder) of the then Indian Penal Code (IPC).

Following a detailed investigation, the dacoits, including gang leaders Santosh and Radhey, were charge-sheeted.

Fourteen died during the pendency of the trial, while one was declared an absconder.

Responding to the tragedy, then-Prime Minister, Indira Gandhi, met the affected families. Then-Leader of the Opposition, Atal Bihari Vajpayee, undertook a foot march from Dehuli to Sadupur in Firozabad in solidarity with the bereaved families.

Survivors recall events

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Gujarat village awaits Sunita return from space

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Want her to return in good health, says cousin

Cousin of Sunita Williams, Dinesh Rawal, says he will find peace only when she safely touches down. As anticipation builds, Sunita's family and the entire village continue to pray for her safe return. Rawal said, "I may look happy, but I am scared. We want her to return to Earth safely and in good health."

THE ancestral Gujarat village of American astronaut of Indian origin Sunita Williams eagerly awaits her return to Earth. Her homecoming has sparked joy worldwide, more so in the small village of Jhulasan in Kadi, Mehsana, where her family is already celebrating her anticipated arrival.

However, there's some anxiety, too. After all, it has been nine months since Sunita went up in space. Their joy intertwines with prayers for her safe homecoming.

Her cousin, Dinesh Rawal, says he will find peace only when she safely touches down. As anticipation builds, Sunita's family and the entire village continue to pray for her safe return.

Her cousin, Dinesh Rawal, shared mixed emotions about her return: "I may look happy, but I am scared. We want her to return to Earth safely and in good health." Dinesh talks endearingly about his world-famous cousin: "Sunita is my uncle's daughter. Ours is a small, close-knit family. Before she left, I travelled to America to see her."

What did they talk about before her departure? "We spent three to four days together, and I asked her, 'Why are you going? What's the need?' But she was determined—she wanted to contribute something to the world. That's why she made this decision."

Anyway, it's time to see her again, and in Jhulasan, schoolchildren hope for her safe return, while temples resonate with bhajans and kirtans, echoing the community's collective prayers for her safe return.

PM writes to Sunita, invites her to visit India

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @New Delhi

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has written to NASA astronaut Sunita Williams, who is scheduled to return to Earth early on Wednesday after a nine-month stay at the International Space Station, and invited her to visit India. The letter, written on March 1 and sent through former NASA astronaut Mike Massimino, was shared on X by Union Science and Technology Minister Jitendra Singh.

"Even though you are thousands of miles away, you continue to remain close to our hearts. The people of India are praying for your good health and success in your mission," Modi said in the letter.

"After your return, we are looking forward to seeing you in India. It will be a pleasure for India to host one of its most illustrious daughters," the prime minister said.

Nest for future: U'khand's forests set to flourish with bird-friendly flora

NARENDRA SETHI @Dehradun

IN a groundbreaking move to enhance avian habitats, the research wing of Uttarakhand's forest department is embarking on an ambitious plan to cultivate tree, shrub and vine species favoured by birds for feeding. "This initiative marks a significant step forward in our commitment to biodiversity and conservation," said a spokesperson from the forest department.

The programme will specifically target the hilly regions of the state and is being integrated into the department's 10-year action plan for the first time. According to sources, the Uttarakhand Forest Research Wing has initiated a comprehensive study to identify which birds depend on specific trees, vines and shrubs for food.

Chief Conservator of Forests (Planning) Sanjeev Chaturvedi shared insights with this newspaper, stating, "Experts have conducted studies in a location called Mandal in the Garhwal Himalayas. It was observed that the Himalayan ivy vine found in cedar forests attracts not just one or two, but 10 different species of birds that also make their nests there. Similarly, birds are drawn to species like Buransh, Hisalu, Mehal, Tejpatta, Kilmoda, and Ghagra."

Chaturvedi further noted, "Uttarakhand is home to over 700 bird species, of which approximately 30 are endangered. Until now, conservation efforts for birds were not included in our action plans. However, for the first time, we are integrating this aspect into our initiatives. Additionally, regular surveys of identified bird conservation areas and other recommendations have been proposed."

According to forest officials, an increase in the diversity of tree species will naturally lead to a rise in bird populations. The upcoming action plan will specifically mention relevant species to ensure their cultivation and preservation.

Speaking with this newspaper, renowned ornithologist and bird expert Ajay Sharma, who boasts 30 years of experience in the field, emphasised the importance of native flora for bird conservation.

"Barbet species and hornbills play a crucial role in the forest ecosystem by aiding in the planting of 50 to 70 varieties of wild and common fruit-bearing plants," he stated.

Sharma revealed, "To enhance bird habitats, the department should promote the planting of species such as Silver Oak, Semal, Indian Silk Cotton tree, Indian Fig tree, Kapoor tree, and Ashoka tree. These trees are particularly favoured by birds, who are attracted to them to create their nests."

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify to public in general that, our client Smt. Indra Devi has negotiated to purchase the schedule property from its owner **Mr Vishu Gowda Harish**, who represented and declared himself as owner in possession of the schedule property, further declaring that the title and revenue records of the property is registered in his name. Now in view of our client is intending to purchase and proceeding to enter into agreement, anyone including persons/institutions claiming any rights and title over the schedule property or having any documents of the property to contact the undersigned advocate within seven days from the date of this notice, along with the relevant documents substantiating their/his claim. In the event of any person make claim without substantiating documents, and if no claim or objections from any persons within the given period of time, our client will proceed to purchase the property thereafter without entertaining any claim or objections made.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the industrial property bearing Municipal No.5, BBMP PID No 41-203-5 (Formerly being the portion of converted Sy No 34/4B, Avalahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore, South Taluk, duly converted for industrial purpose as per No.ALN.CR.47/65-66, dated 28.09.1968, issued by Tahasildar Bangalore South Taluk, situated at BBMP New Ward No157, Old Ward No41, Sundar Industrial Compound, Avalahalli, New Timber Yard Layout, Bangalore, measuring East to west on the northern side 15.6 Meters, and on the southern side 15.65 Meters, and North to South on the Eastern side 24.15 Meters, and on the western, side 24.64 Meters, in all totally measuring 380.84 Sq. meters or 4099.36 Sq Ft along with industrial shed measuring 297.77 Sq meters or 3205.19 Sq feet of super built up area with 50 HP electric power, together with all rights, appurtenances, whatsoever, whether underneath or above the surface, and bounded on; EAST BY: Property belongs to Varalakshmi, WEST BY: Property bearing No.10C, NORTH BY: Private Property, and SOUTH BY: Road

M/s BALALARAM LAW FIRM
(BALARAM ML), Advocate
No 30 & 31, HHS Complex, Silk Exchange
Building, Cubbonpet Main Road,
Bengaluru-560 002. Mobile: 9880171511
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BENGALURU DATE: 18.03.2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that My Client **Sri. Sarat Kumar Mohanty S/o. Late Rabinarayan Mohanty, R/a. Banshipatna, Bhadrak, Orrisa-756125 now presently in Bangalore** is willing to purchase the Schedule hereunder and reffered as Schedule Property from **Sri. C H Pandarinath @ Sri. C H Pandari Rep. by his GPA Holder and also Developer M/s. Vaishnavi Developers** and also intends to Mortgage the Schedule Property **"Bajaj Housing Finance Limited"** and there is no availability of the Death Certificate and Family Tree of Sri. Lingayya and Sri. Puttappa.

Notice is hereby given to the legal heirs of Late Sri. Lingayya and Sri. Puttappa who were the Owners of the larger extent of the Schedule Property and General Public that if any persons, entity, company, firm, institution has or claims any right, title, interest, pending Litigation, tenancy, mortgage, charge, lien or demand or any other interest of whatsoever nature in or upon the Schedule Property or any part thereof, the same may be brought to the notice of the undersigned in writing together with all details and documents in support of such claim **within 07 (Seven) days** from the date of this Notice, failing which it shall be deemed that the aforesaid owners has a clear and marketable title to the schedule Property and that none else has any right, title, interest or claim whatsoever in respect of the Schedule Property and my client would be at liberty to proceed to purchase the schedule Property. Any Claims received after the expiry of the period mentioned above shall neither be entertained nor be binding on my client.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Site No.136, having PID No.150200102800121256, Katha No.134/136, formed in Sy.No.29/1 and 54, in the Layout "Urban County" (Carved out of Sy.Nos.22, 28, 29/1, 30/8, 30/5, 30/9, 31/1A, 31/2A situated at Kumbaranahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore District and Sy.Nos.53/1, 54, 55/2, 55/3, 56/1, 56/2, 57/1, 57/2, 64, 65/2, situated at Kumbaranahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District in all totally measuring 7 acres 26.5 guntas with approval No. LP. No. APA/LAO/55/2021-22, Dated 19-02-2023, sanctioned by the Anekal Planning Authority, situated at Haragadde Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District), (vide conversion order No. ALN (A&K)SR /18/2018-19, Dated 27-09-2019, issue by the Office of the District Commissioner, Bangalore District), vide Conversion Order ALN(AJ)SR.37/2013-14, Dated 21-05-2014, issued from the office of District Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore, the Said site measuring East-West: 12.015 Mtrs and North-South: 9.31 Mtrs in all measuring 111.85 Sq. mtrs and bounded on the: East by: Site No.137, West by: Site No.135, North by: 9.0 Meter Road, South by: Private Property.

Mohan Ram B R, Advocate
#47/1, 1st Floor, Austin Plaza,
Austin Town, Bengaluru-560079.
Contact No. 8722671564
Date : 18-03-2025, Bengaluru

BEFORE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II, DELHI

4th Floor, Jeevan Tara Building, Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001

Notice under Section 19(4) of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act. 1993 read with Rule 12 & 13 of the Debts Recovery Tribunal (Procedure Rules) 1993.

In the matter of OA No.592/2023 Date: 10.12.2024

IDBI BANK LTD. Versus **Applicant**

Mr. Amit Srivastava & Others **Respondent**

To, DEFENDANT

D1-Mr. Amit Srivastava S/o Ram Ashare Srivastav, House No. 778/28, Street No. 13, Jyoti Park Colony, Gurgaon, Haryana, **Also At:** Flat No. C-608, 6th Floor, Mulberry Mist, Varthur Village, Varthur, Hobli, Bangalore-560087, **Also at:** Plot No. 48, Brijwaso Puram Colony, Haibatpur, Near Kishan Chowk, Gautam Budh Nagar-201301, **Also at:** House No. 07/6, Ravi Nagar Extn. Ward-9 Basai Road, Gurgaon, Haryana, **Also At:** C/o Alight HR Services India Pvt Ltd., Building No. 2, Condor Techspace Tikori, Sector- 48, Gurgaon, Haryana- 122018

D2. Mrs. Ujala Srivastava W/o. Sh. Amit Srivastava, House No. 778/28, Street No. 13, Jyoti Park Colony, Gurgaon, Haryana-122001 **Also at:** House No. 106, Mukeriganj Ajamgarh, UP-276001

D3. M/s CMRS Infrastructure Pvt Ltd Varthur Village, Varthur Hobli Bangalore - 560087, **Also at:** 589, 3rd Floor, Above State Bank of Mysore, C Block, AECS Layout Main Road, Bangalore -560037

Whereas the above named applicant(s) has/have instituted a case for recovery of **Rs. 43,30,894/- (Rupee Forty Three Lakh Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Four Only)** against you and whereas it has been shown to the satisfaction of the Tribunal that it is not possible to serve you in ordinary way. Therefore, this notice is given by advertisement directing you to make appearance before in The Tribunal on **28.03.2025 at 11:00 A.M.**

Take notice that in default of your appearance on the day before the mentioned, the case will be heard and determined in your absence.

All the matters will be taken up through Video Conferencing or physical and for that purpose:- (i) All the Advocates/Litigants shall download the **"Cisco Webex"** application/ software. **(ii) "Meeting ID"** and **"Password"** for the date of hearing qua cases to be taken by Hon'ble Presiding Officer/ Registrar shall be displayed in the daily cause list itself at DRT Official Portal i.e. **drt.gov.in (iii)** In any exigency qua the Advocates/Litigants can contact the concerned official at **Ph. No.011-23748478.**

Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal on this **10th day of December, 2024.**

By Order of the Tribunal
Section Officer,
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DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL BENGALURU (DRT I)
B.S.N.L. Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bengaluru - 560 001

DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE UNDER SECTIONS 25 TO 28 OF THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS & BANKRUPTCY ACT 1993 AND RULE 2 OF SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX ACT 1961.

RC/70/2022

PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK
Versus
A. N. NARAYANA SWAMY

In the Matter of:

(CH-I)

PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK

(ERSTWHILE ORIENTIAL BANK OF COMMERCE) RESOLUTION RECOVERY AND LAW CLUSTER BRANCH, AT # 100, MOSQUE ROAD, FRAZER TOWN, BENGALURU — 560 005.

APPLICANT BANK /CERTIFICATE HOLDER

TO, -------Versus-----

(CD- 1)
SRI. A. N. NARAYANA SWAMY.
S/O. LATE CHIKKANARSINHAPPA,
RESIDING AT: THELLOHALLI AGRAHARA, VILLAGE, CHANNARAUAPATNA HOBLI, DEVANAHALLI TALUK. .-562110 BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT.

(CD-2)
SRI. A.N. VENUGOPAL
S/O AN NARAYANA SWAMY,
RESIDING AT: THELLOHALLI AGRAHARA VILLAGE, CHANNARAYAPATNA HOBLI, DEVANAHALLI TALUK - 562110 BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT.

(CD 3)
MS. BINDUMATHI
D/O. A. N. NARAYANA SWAMY,
RESIDING AT: THELLOHALLI AGRAHARA VILLAGE, CHANNARAYAPATNA, HOBLI, DEVANAHALLI TALUK -562110, BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT.

DEFENDANTS/CERTIFICATE DEBTOR

This is to notify that as per the Recovery Certificate issued in pursuance of orders passed by the Presiding Officer, DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL BENGALURU (DRT I) in **OA/593/2020** an amount of **Rs. 3397930.00 (Rupees Thirty Three Lakh Ninety Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Only)** along with pendentellite and future interest @ 12.35 % w.e.f. **05/06/2020** till realization and costs of **Rs. 70485 (Rupees Seventy Thousands Four Hundred Eighty Five Only)** has become due against you (Jointly and severally/ Fully/Limited).

2. You are hereby directed to pay the above sum within 15 days of the receipts of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made in accordance with the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 and Rules there under.
3. You are hereby ordered to declare on an affidavit the particulars of yours assets on or before the next date of hearing.
4. You are hereby ordered to appear before the undersigned within 15 days from receipt of this notice for further proceedings.
5. In addition to the sum aforesaid, you will also be liable to pay:
   (a) Such interests as is payable for the period commencing immediately after this notice of the certificate / execution proceedings.
   (b) All costs, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and warrants and other processes and all other proceedings taken for recovering the amount due.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal, on this date: **01/06/2022**

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RECOVERY OFFICER II
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL
BENGALURU (DRT1)

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED

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Credit Recovery and Management Department
Administrative Office : No. 24-B, Gandhi Nagar,
Kumbakonam - 612 001. **E-Mail id :** crmd@cityunionbank.in,
Ph : 0435-2432322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746

RE-TENDER-CUM-AUCTION SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002

The following property/ies mortgaged to **City Union Bank Limited** will be sold in Re-Tender-cum Public Auction by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, under Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, under the SARFAESI Act, 2002, for recovery of a sum of **Rs.28,59,536/- (Rupees Twenty Eight Lakh Fifty Nine Thousand Five Hundred and Thirty Six only)** as on **18-02-2025** together with further interest to be charged from **19-02-2025** onwards and other expenses, any other dues to the Bank by the borrowers / guarantors **No.1) M/s. S.V. Silks, No.85/3703, Ganigarapete, Doddaballapur, Karnataka - 561203. No.2) Mr. Vishwanath, S/o. Shivanna, D.No.3790, 28th Ward, Taluk Office Road, Deshadapete, Behind Old SRM, Doddaballapur - 561203. No.3) Mrs. Kanyakumari CP, W/o. Vishwanath, D.No.3790, 28th Ward, Taluk Office Road, Deshadapete, Behind Old SRM, Doddaballapur - 561203**

Immovable Properties Mortgaged to our Bank

Schedule - A : (Property Owned by Mr. Vishwanath, S/o. Shivanna)

Property Situated at 4th Ward, Deshadapete, Doddaballapur - 561203, Old Khata No.2461, Present Khata No.85/79/3697/1, Present Khata SL No.350, measuring : East-West 8 feet and North-South 45 feet, Bounded by : East : Property of Item No.2, West : Properties of Channabasavaradya & Jayanna, North : Compound of Masjid, South : Road.

Schedule - B : (Property Owned by Mr. Vishwanath, S/o. Shivanna)

Property Situated at 4th Ward, Deshadapete, Doddaballapur - 561203, Old Khata No.2459, Present Khata No.80/75/3694/1, Present Khata SL No.349, measuring : East-West 22 feet and North-South 33 feet, Bounded by : East : Properties of Gajendra, Veerabhadraradya & Others West : Property of Item No.1, North : Property of Item No.3, South : Road.

Schedule - C : (Property Owned by Mr. Vishwanath, S/o. Shivanna)

Property Situated at 4th Ward, Deshadapete, Doddaballapur - 561203, Old Khata No.3694/3695/3697/3698/2, Present Khata No.77/74/3694, Present Khata SL No.348, measuring : East-West 15 feet and North-South 15 feet, Bounded by : East : Properties of Jayanna & others, West : Property of Item No.1, North : Compound of Masjid, South : Property of Item No.2. Total Extent of Land 1,311 Sq.Ft. RCC Ground Floor & First Floor Residential Building constructed therein.

Reserve Price : Rs.14,00,000/-
(Rupees Fourteen Lakh only) (For Schedule - A, B and C)

RE-AUCTION DETAILS

Date of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale	Venue
11-04-2025	**City Union Bank Limited, Doddaballapur Branch,** 1108/1116/925, Hungi Complex, Cinema Street, Doddaballapur, Bengaluru Urban, Karnataka - 561203. Telephone No.080-27622082, Cell No.9341673937.

Terms and Conditions of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale :

(1) The intending bidders should be present in person for the auction and participate personally and give a declaration in writing to the effect that he/she is bidding for himself / herself. **(2)** The intending bidders may obtain the Tender Forms from **The Manager, City Union Bank Limited, Doddaballapur Branch, 1108/1116/925, Hungi Complex, Cinema Street, Doddaballapur, Bengaluru Urban, Karnataka - 561203. (3)** The intending bidders should submit their bids only in the Tender Form prescribed in sealed envelopes addressed to **The Authorised Officer, City Union Bank Ltd.**, together with a Pay Order / Demand Draft for an EMD of **10%** of the Reserve Price, drawn in favour of **"City Union Bank Ltd.", on or before 12.00 Noon** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. **(4)** For inspection of the property and other particulars, the intending purchaser may contact **Telephone No:080-27622082, Cell No :9341673937. (5)** The property/ies are sold on "As-is-where-is", "As-is-what-is" and "whatever-there is" basis. **(6)** The sealed tenders will be opened in the presence of the intending bidders at **01.00 p.m.** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. Though in general the sale will be by way of closed tenders, the Authorised Officer may, at his sole discretion, conduct an Open Auction among the interested bidders who desire to quote a bid higher than the one received in the closed tender process, and in such an event, the sale shall be conferred on the person making highest bid. The sale, however, is subject to confirmation of City Union Bank Limited. **(7)** The successful bidder shall have to pay **25% (inclusive of EMD paid)** of the sale amount **immediately** on completion of sale and the balance amount of **75%** within **15 days** from the date of confirmation of sale, failing which the initial deposit of **25%** shall be forfeited. **(8)** The Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorised Officer in favour of the successful purchaser only after receipt of the entire sale consideration within the time limit stipulated herein. **(9)** The successful purchaser shall bear the charges/fees payable for conveyance, such as stamp duty, registration fee etc., as applicable under law. **(10)** The successful bidder should pay the statutory dues (lawful house tax, electricity charges and other dues), TDS, GST if any, due to Government, Government Undertaking and local bodies. **(11)** The Authorised Officer shall have all the powers to accept or reject the bids or postpone or cancel the sale without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Place : Kumbakonam, Date : 17-03-2025 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office : 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District,
Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN -** L65110TN1904PLC001287,
Telephone No. 0435-2402322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746, **Website :** www.cityunionbank.com

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DEMAND NOTICE

(IN PURSUANCE WITH SECTION 13(2) OF THE SARFAESI ACT., 2002)

GIC HF LTD. has sanctioned loans to the following borrowers to purchase residential premises by creating equitable mortgage and in favor of **GIC HF LTD.** The repayment of the loans is irregular and the accounts are finally classified as Non-Performing Asset in accordance with directions and guidelines of National Housing Bank.

GIC HF LTD. has therefore invoked its rights under section 13(2) of the SARFAESI ACT,2002 and called upon the borrowers to repay the total outstanding mentioned against each within 60days from the date of demand notice in pursuance to Rule 3 Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule 2002.The Borrower have not acknowledge receipt of the notice.The following borrowers are hereby called upon again publicly to pay the total dues the mentioned against them plus the charges & interest accrued till date within 60 days from today failing which **GIC HF LTD.** Shall resort to all or any legal rights to take possession of the premises dispose it and adjust the proceeds against the overdue amount.

The borrowers are also restrained from alienating or creating third party interest on the ownership of the properties.

Sr. No.	File No / Branch / Borrower(s) & Guarantor(s)	Description of the Immovable Property Mortgaged	Date of Demand Notice/Outstanding Amount as per Notice
1	KA0021300107060 / Bangalore/ Mr. N.Babu S/o Narayanan Nair & Mrs. P.Kousalyadevi W/o N.Babu	The Property bearing Katha No.513, Sy No.28/5, Flat No.S-4, 2nd Floor, A-Block, Phase -1, Lake View Apartments, Gulladahalli@ Kereguddadahalli, Yeswanthpur Hobli, Chikkabanavara, Bangalore-560090. Super Built Up Area 900 Sq.Ft., and bounded on the:- East By: Road, West By: Road, North By : S 2, South by : Road,	14.03.2025 / Rs.9,06,344/-
2	KA0590600000908 / Yelahanka / Mr.Vijay Raghunath S/o Maddurempegowda Ramu & Mrs.V.Hemavathi Raghu D/o Chikkadeve Gowda	Flat No.2, Ground Floor, Pranathi Nilaya, 1st Main Road, Sapthagiri Layout, Arehalli Village, Uttrahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore- 560061. Site No.41, Old BBMP Katha No.445/6/2/41, And New Katha No.634/182/41/445/92/6/2, Katha No.92, Assesment No.6/2, in Sy No.6/2, Converted Order No. ALN(SU)SR/15/2011-12, Dated:08.06.2011, having a Super Bulit-up Area 1530 Sq.Ft., Undivided Share 332 Sq.Ft., bounded on the: East by : Property No.42, West by: Property No.40, North by : 30 Feet Road, South by: Private Property Katha No.4,	12.03.2025 / Rs.38,83,559/-
3	KA0670600000746 / Electronic City / Mr. Amit Sehgal S/o Narinder Sehgal	The Property bearing land in converted Sy No.88/2, measuring 14 guntas, Situated at of Flat No C-08, 2nd Floor, Gunina Jeno Apartment, Maragondanahalli, Jigani Hobli, Electronics City, Anekal, Bangalore – 560100, The carpet area of the Flat 592.45 Sq.Ft., Super Built Up Area 697 Sq.Ft.,& UDS 213 Sq.Ft., Flat is and bounded on the:- East By : Comman passage & Flat No.C-15, West By: Comman passage & Flat No.C- 04 & C-05, North By : Open the Sky and, South by : Flat No.C-07,	14.03.2025 / Rs. 12,65,153/-

Date : 19.03.2025
Place : Bangalore

GIC Housing Finance Ltd.,
Sd/- Authorised Officer

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ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಅವಧಿ ವಿಸ್ತರಣೆ/ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ. 09/2024–25, ದಿ:28–02–2025

ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯಿಂದ ಉಲ್ಲೇಖ ರೀತ್ಯಾ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮೈಸೂರು/ನಂಜನಗೂಡು/ತಿ.ನರಸೀಪುರ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನ ವಿವಿಧ ಲೆಕ್ಕಶೀರ್ಷಿಕೆಯಡಿ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ KW-1,2 & 4 ರೀತ್ಯಾ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಸದರಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ದಿನಾಂಕವನ್ನು 07.03.2025 ರಿಂದ 24.03.2025 ಎಂದು ನಿಗಧಿಗೊಳಿಸಲಾಗಿತ್ತು. ಆದರೆ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಕಾರಣಗಳಿಂದಾಗಿ ಸದರಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ದಿನಾಂಕವನ್ನು ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತೆ ವಿಸ್ತರಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. **1)** ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಷೆಡ್ಯೂಲ್ ಬಿ ಅಪ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡುವ ಅಂದಾಜು ದಿನಾಂಕ: 19.03.2025 ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 10.30ಗಂಟೆಯಿಂದ. **2)** ಪ್ರಿ ಬಿಡ್ಡಿಂಗ್ ಮೀಟಿಂಗ್ ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆಸುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ:26.03.2025 ಸಂಜೆ 4.00 ಗಂಟೆಯಿಂದ **3)** ಕ್ಲಾರಿಫಿಕೇಷನ್/ವಿಚಾರಣೆ ಮಾಡಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿ: 01.04.2025ರ ಸಂಜೆ 5.00 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ **4)** ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಷೆಡ್ಯೂಲ್ ಬಿನಲ್ಲಿ ದರ ನಮೂದಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 02.04.2025 ಸಂಜೆ 4.00 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ **5)** ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ಅನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 03.04.2025 ಸಂಜೆ 5.00 ಗಂಟೆಯಿಂದ **6)** ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ಅಂದಾಜು ದಿನಾಂಕ: 14.04.2025 ಸಂಜೆ 5.00 ಗಂಟೆಯಿಂದ. (ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ಅರ್ಹತೆ ಹೊಂದಿದ ನಂತರ)

ಕ್ರ ಸಂ.	ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು	ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ಹೆಸರು/ಪ್ಯಾಕೇಜ್ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ	ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ.ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)	ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಿಟ್ಟ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೊಬಲಗು (ರೂ.ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)	ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ. ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ.ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)	ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರ ಅರ್ಹತೆ
01.	ನಂಜನಗೂಡು	ವರುಣ ವಿಧಾನ ಸಭಾ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯ ನಂಜನಗೂಡು ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು ಮರಳೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಪರಿಮಿತಿಯಿಂದ ಬಿಸಿಲು ಮಾರಮ್ಮ ದೇವಸ್ಥಾನದವರೆಗೆ ಸಿಸಿ ರಸ್ತೆ ಮತ್ತು ಚರಂಡಿ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ	214.00	180.59	2,70,893.00	2ನೇ ದರ್ಜೆ ಮತ್ತು ಮೇಲ್ಪಟ್ಟು
02.	ಮೈಸೂರು	ಮೈಸೂರು ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು ಜಯಪುರ ಹೋಬಳಿ ಉದ್ಬೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮದಿಂದ ತಳೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮಕ್ಕೆ ಹೋಗುವ ರಸ್ತೆ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ	148.00	117.70	1,75,000.00	3ನೇ ದರ್ಜೆ ಮತ್ತು ಮೇಲ್ಪಟ್ಟು
03.	ಮೈಸೂರು	ಮೈಸೂರು ನಗರದ ದೇವರಾಜ ಬಾಲಕಿಯರ ಸ್ವತಂತ್ರ ಪದವಿಪೂರ್ವ ಕಾಲೇಜು ದೇವರಾಜ ಮೊಹಲ್ಲಾ, ಆರು ಕೊಠಡಿಗಳ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ	147.30	114.97	1,72,455.00	3ನೇ ದರ್ಜೆ ಮತ್ತು ಮೇಲ್ಪಟ್ಟು

ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ವಿದ್ಯುನ್ಮಾನ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆ ವೇದಿಕೆ ಮೂಲಕ (e-procurement portal) ವೆಬ್ ಸೈಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in ಈ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಇನ್ನೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗಾಗಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರು, ಪಂಚಾಯತ್‌ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಕುವೆಂಪುನಗರ, ಮೈಸೂರು (ಫೋನ್ ನಂ.0821–2560853) ರವರ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು. ಮೊಬೈಲ್ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಸ.ಇಂ. 8123267587

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ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು, ಪಂ.ರಾ.ಇಂ. ವಿಭಾಗ, ಮೈಸೂರು

(Govt of Karnataka)

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER P.W.D DIVISION SEDAM

No. EE/PWD/Dvn/Sed/TS-1/2024-25/3178 Date : 15-03-2025

-:: SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION ::-

1) Details of Works : 1. Total no of work 01 in under chitapur Indent No's are : **20288,** 2) Head of Account : Under 5054 Appendix-E Bridge improvements For the year 2024-25. 3) Amount Put to Tender : **Lowest Estimate Cost Rs. 3839.79 Lakhs, Highest Estimate Cost Rs. 3839.79 Lakhs**, 4) Eligibility of Contractor : Class-I contractor & Above, 5) Pre-Bid Meeting Date: **26-03-2025, Morning 11:30 Hrs,** 6) Date & time for Tender Queries of tenders : **29-03-2025 - 17:30:00 Hrs**, 7) Tender Form Fee & EMD Amount: Tender processing fee & EMD As per e-portal, 8) Last date & time for receipt of tenders: **07-04-2025 - 16:00:00 Hrs** 9) Date & Time for Opening of Technical Bid: **09-04-2025 - 16:30:00 Hrs**, 10) Date & Time for opening of Financial Bid: **11-04-2025 - 16:30:00 Hrs**, 11) Communication Address: Office of the Executive Engineer, P.W.D Division Sedam, 12) Internet Address: **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in**, 13) If any changes for Cancelation : Any Changes and cancelations are done in **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Note: 1) The undersigned has to power to postponement/rejecting the tenders, 2) If any changes are there in upcoming days These Tenders are not published in tender bulletin it should be read in https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in Portal

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
P.W.D Division Sedam

DIPR/Kalaburagi/1106/KSMC&A/2024-25

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
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Canara Bank, ARM Branch I

2nd Floor, No. 86, Spensar Tower, M.G. Road,
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SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable/ Movable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **07.04.2025 (10.30 AM to 11.00AM),** for recovery of **Rs. 5,33,39,598.69/-** as on 16.03.2025 with further interest and cost thereon due to the **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank** from **1. Shri Sendhil Elumalai** S/o. Elumulai Govindaraj, # 10, O 2nd Street, Near Shree Complex, Shivan Chetty Gardens, Bangalore-560042. **2) Shri Bhaskar M,** No. 1534, 39th Cross, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560041. The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of E-Wallet of **M/s. PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **05.04.2025, 5.00** pm

(Rs. In Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Description of the immovable/ movable assets	Reserve Price	EMD	Incremental value
1	Flat No. F-402 3rd floor F block, Sy No.108/3, 108/2, Measuring super built up area of 1089 Sqft along with 400 Sqft of undivided interest in land at Garden Residency Apartment, Bommasandra, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore 560099. **Boundries : North :** Open to sky of the apartment building, **South :** Common corridor, East : Open to sky of the apartment building, West : Residential apartment privately numbered as F-401. **Coordinates of the property : Latitude- 12.8053267N, Longitude- 77.6770091**	Rs. 50.82	Rs. 5.09	Rs. 1.00
2	Flat No. F-403 3rd floor F block, Sy No.108/3, 108/2, Measuring super built up area of 1089 Sqft along with 400 Sqft of undivided interest in land at Garden Residency Apartment, Bommasandra, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore 560099. **Boundries : North :** common corridor, **South :** open to sky of the apartment building, **East** : open to sky of the apartment building. **West :** Residential apartment privately numbered as F-404. **Coordinates of the property : Latitude :12.8053267N, Longitude : 77.6770091.**	Rs 50.82	Rs 5.09	Rs. 1.00
3	Flat No. F-404 3rd floor F block, Sy No.108/3, 108/2, Measuring super built up area of 1089 Sqft along with 400 Sqft of undivided interest in land at Garden Residency Apartment, Bommasandra, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore 560099. **Boundries : North :** common corridor, **South :** open to sky of the apartment building, **East :** Residential apartment privately numbered as F-403, **West :** Lift area. **Coordinates of the property : Latitude : 12.8053267N, Longitude : 77.6770091.**	Rs 50.82	Rs 5.09	Rs. 1.00
4	Residential Villa old: property bearing Sy No.119/2 panchayat khatha 92/180 S Medahalli village Sarjapur Hobli Anekal Taluk Bangalore. New: Property bearing Villa No.180/6A Sarjapur Athipalli cross road Sarjapur Bangalore 5621244, Extent 3841.66 Sqft. Boundries : North : Road, South : property bearing Sy No.117, East : property bearing Sy No.119/1. West : property bearing Sy No.119/3. **Coordinates of the property : Latitude - 12.834639, Longitude- 77.780889.**	Rs. 284.34	Rs. 28.44	Rs. 1.00

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/) portal and may contact ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, Ph. No. 080 25310066, 9627872626, 7483935007,9538406090 and 9598559920 during office hours on any working day.

Date: 17.03.2025
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Offier
Canara Bank

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
KARNATAKA STATE HIGHWAYS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

KSHIP

Project Implementation Unit, Karnataka State Highways Improvement Project
K R Circle, Bengaluru – 560 001 Tele: 2212 6758/59/60/61 e-mail: piukship@gmail.com

No. PIU:KSHIP-III/ADB/NCB **Date : 19.03.2025**

Tender Notification No:05/2024-25, Dtd. 19.03.2025

NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING

On behalf of Governor of Karnataka, The Project Director, Project Implementation Unit, Karnataka State Highway Improvement Project, Bengaluru invites bids for below mentioned package works under KSHIP –III (ADB Loan No.3619 IND) in Single stage-two cover system. The tenderers may submit tenders for the work given in the table through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal of the Government of Karnataka (https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in).

1	Name of the Work	**1. Package No. BSI 1: Road Safety Improvement works for 10 No's blackspots in North and North east zone PWD roads in Karnataka** **2. Package No. BSI 2: Road Safety Improvement works for 10 No's blackspots in South and Central zone PWD roads in Karnataka** **3. Package No. BSI 3: Road Safety Improvement works for additional 17 No's blackspots in North and North east zone PWD roads in Karnataka** **4. Package No. BSI 4: Road Safety Improvement works for additional 10 No's blackspots in South and Central zone PWD roads in Karnataka**
2	Construction Period	5 months
3	Bid document available for downloading in E-procurement portal	Date: 20.03.2025 Time: 15:00 Hours onwards
4	Last date for downloading of bid document from E-procurement portal	Date: 19.04.2025 upto Time: 15:00 Hours
5	Time and date of Pre-bid meeting	Date: 04.04.2025 Time: 11:30 Hours (O/o Project Director, KSHIP, Bangalore)
6	Last date for submission of Bids online	Date: 19.04.2025 Time: 16:30 Hours
7	Time and date of opening of bids online	Date: 21.04.2025 Time: 15:00 Hours

Any information about the works can be obtained from the O/o The Project Director, Project Implementation Unit, Karnataka State Highway Improvement Project, Bengaluru during office hours on all working days and also through support@eprochelpdesk.com KPP Portal helpdesk telephone nos are +91-8046010000/+91-8068948777.

Sd/-
Project Director
PIU, KSHIP, Bengaluru.

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Four
Executions set to take place in the US this week

GLOBAL WEATHER

Beijing	7	-5	SNY	Los Angeles	20	10	SNY
Colombo	32	25	SNY	Melbourne	19	15	LC
Dhaka	31	21	SNY	Moscow	-6	-9	LS
Dubai	26	20	LR	New York	-2	-9	SNY
Houston	17	6	LR	Singapore	30	25	LR
Istanbul	7	4	LR	Toronto	-7	-17	LS
London	7	2	SNY	Washington	11	7	LC

LR: Light Rain • **HR:** Heavy Rain • **LS:** Light Snow • **TDS:** Thundershower • **LC:** Light Cloud • **SNY:** Sunny

Shock & anger as Israel resumes bombing of Gaza after truce fails

UN demands Israel resume deliveries of food, medicine, fuel to Gaza's 2.1 million people

MOSCOW

Injured Palestinians wait for treatment at a hospital in Khan Younis, southern Gaza Strip, on Tuesday | AP

ISRAEL launched a wave of airstrikes across the Gaza Strip on Tuesday, saying it was hitting Hamas targets in its heaviest assault on the territory since a ceasefire took effect in January. The strikes have killed more than 400 people and wounded hundreds more, according to Gaza's Health Ministry, which said over half the dead are women and children.

The attack could signal the full resumption of war.

Tom Fletcher, UN humanitarin chief, is demanding that Israel resume deliveries of food, medicine, fuel and other supplies to Gaza's 2.1 million people. The United Nations' humanitarian chief told the Security Council that all of the "modest gains" made during the Israel-Hamas ceasefire have been destroyed after Israel launched surprise airstrikes.

"Overnight, our worst fears materialiSed after strikes resumed across the entire Gaza Strip," Tom Fletcher said. He added that the international community "must not and cannot" go back to pre-ceasefire conditions. The monthlong ceasefire brought some food, shelter and medical relief to Gaza and allowed hundreds of thousands of displaced Palestinians to return to what remained of their homes.

The Lebanese militant group says Israel is attacking Gaza with the Trump administration's backing because neither country respects the agreements they make. Hezbollah's statement urged the international community to move quickly "to stop this crime."

A fragile ceasefire last year has halted Hezbollah's 14-month war with Israel in support of the Palestinians.

The leaders of Egypt and Kuwait say Israel's attacks on Gaza are a "gross violation of international law and the ceasefire deal."

The statement from the Egyptian presidency said Israel was resuming the war as part of "premeditated efforts" to make Gaza unlivable and transfer the Palestinians out of their territories.

President Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi and Sheikh Mishal Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah spoke by phone Tuesday and warned that the Israeli attacks "could broaden the conflict and undermine prospects of peace and stability in the region."

They called for the international community to "bear its responsibility and push for an immediate ceasefire."

Paris is urging both Israel and the Palestinians to respect the ceasefire and "condemned" Israel's airstrikes for causing "numerous civilian casualties" across Gaza. *AP*

White House blames Hamas for latest strikes

Washington: The US said that Hamas had chosen war by refusing to release hostages, as Israel unleashed its most intense strikes and vowed to continue fighting. "Hamas could have released hostages to extend the ceasefire but instead chose refusal and war," National Security Council spokesman Brian Hughes said in a statement

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ISRAEL-GAZA: DAY 527

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Katz says rules of the game have changed

Jerusalem: Defence Minister Israel Katz said Tuesday that "Hamas must understand that the rules of the game have changed", after Israel unleashed its deadliest strikes on Gaza since a ceasefire began in January. "If it does not immediately release all the hostages, the gates of hell will open, and it will face the full might of the IDF (military) in the air, sea, and on the ground until its complete destruction," the Israeli defence chief was quoted as saying in a ministry statement

MISSING TARGET

Houthis attack on warships false, says US Air Force

SANAA

YEMEN'S Houthis said on Tuesday they carried out their third attack on American warships in 48 hours, following US strikes on the Iran-backed rebels that sparked mass protests in areas under their control.

A US defence official said the Houthis "continue to communicate lies and disinformation", adding the Iran-backed group is "well known for false claims minimising the results of our attacks while exaggerating the successes of theirs".

US Air Force Lieutenant General Alexus Grynkewich earlier told reporters it was "hard to confirm" the attacks claimed by the Houthis as the rebels were missing their targets by over 160 kilometres.

In their latest retaliation, the Houthis said on Telegram on Tuesday that they fired missiles and drones at the USS Harry S Truman, calling it the "third in the past 48 hours" on the fleet in the northern Red Sea.

The Houthis had targeted ships in the Red Sea after the start of the Gaza war and until a January ceasefire, claiming solidarity with Palestinians.

But last week, they threatened to renew attacks on Israeli shipping over Israel's aid blockade on the Palestinian territory, triggering the first US strikes on Yemen since President Donald Trump took office in January.

Houthi media said fresh US strikes hit the Hodeida and Al-Salif regions on Monday and Sanaa early on Tuesday – hours after tens of thousands demonstrated, chanting "Death to America, death to Israel!" in the capital.

Washington has vowed to keep hitting Yemen until the Huthis stop firing on shipping, with Trump warning he will hold Iran accountable for their attacks.

"Every shot fired by the Huthis will be looked upon, from this point forward, as being a shot fired from the weapons and leadership of IRAN," Trump posted on social media. *AFP*

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Peruvian President Dina Boluarte

Peru in state of emergency as killings in public surge

LIMA

PERU's president declared a state of emergency in the capital and ordered the deployment of soldiers to help police address a surge of violence, amid widespread outcry a day after the killing of a popular singer.

President Dina Boluarte's government published a decree saying that the state of emergency will last 30 days, and authorities will restrict some rights, including the freedom of assembly and movement. That means the police and the army would be able to detain people without a judicial order.

Peru has seen an increase of killings, violent extortion and attacks on public places in recent months. Police reported 459 killings from Jan 1 to March 16, and 1,909 extortion reports in January alone. But outrage crested after the killing on Sunday of Paul Flores, the 39-year-old lead singer of the cumbia band Armonia 10.

In Congress, opposition lawmakers requested a vote of no confidence against Interior Minister Juan José Santiváñez for what they say is a lack of a plan to fight rising violence. The vote is expected to be discussed in the Congress' plenary later this week.

Flores was shot to death early on Sunday when assailants attacked the bus he and bandmates were traveling after a concert in Lima.

On Saturday, an object exploded at a restaurant in the capital, injuring at least 11 people. *AP*

GERMAN HOUSE BACKS NEXT CHANCELLOR'S PLAN FOR DEFENCE SPEND

BERLIN

GERMANY's would-be next chancellor, Friedrich Merz, won lawmakers' approval on Tuesday for ambitious plans to loosen the nation's strict debt rules for higher defence spending as doubts mount about the strength of the trans-Atlantic alliance, and to set up an enormous fund for investment in its creaking infrastructure.

Merz passed a major test as the outgoing parliament voted 513-207 in its final meeting to approve the plans.

The decision helps smooth the way for a governing coalition of Merz's center-right Union bloc and the center-left Social Democrats of outgoing Chancellor Olaf Scholz after he won last month's election. But he still faces plenty of work to seal a deal in ongoing talks.

Friedrich Merz

The plans needed a two-thirds majority of at least 489 votes in parliament's lower house, the Bundestag, because they involve changes to Germany's strict self-imposed borrowing rules — the so-called "debt brake," which allows new borrowing worth only 0.35% of annual gross domestic product and is anchored in the constitution. That forced the prospective coalition partners into negotiations with the environmentalist Greens to get enough votes.

The package will exempt from the debt rules spending on defense and security, including intelligence agencies and assistance to Ukraine, worth more than 1% of GDP.

It also foresees a 500 billion-euro ($544 billion) fund, financed by borrowing, to pour funding into Germany's infrastructure over the next 12 years and help restore the stagnant economy — Europe's biggest — to growth. At the Greens' insistence, 100 billion euros from the investment fund will go into climate-related spending.

The plans amounted to an about-turn for Merz, whose party had spoken out against running up new debt before the election without entirely closing the door to future changes to the "debt brake."

The Social Democrats and Greens had argued for a reform of the borrowing rules — arguing that Germany, whose debt load is relatively low, has room to borrow more. *AP*

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EXPRESS READ

B'desh arrests notorious Rohingya militant

Dhaka: A Rohingya militant leader who directed attacks against Myanmar security forces which precipitated a humanitarian catastrophe was arrested on Tuesday by police in Bangladesh. Ata Ullah, 48, first surfaced nearly a decade ago as the charismatic leader of the Arakan Rohingya Salvation Army, an outfit formed to wage an insurgency against the stateless Muslim minority's. The leader was arrested alongside five associates on the outskirts of the capital Dhaka

Pak army chief calls for turning into hard state

Islamabad: Pakistan Army chief General Asim Munir on Tuesday emphasised the need to turn Pakistan into a "hard state," asserting that the struggle against militancy was "a battle" for the country's "survival". Gen Munir made the remarks at a high-level meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on National Security convened days after Baloch militants hijacked a passenger train, resulting in the deaths of 25 passengers. National Assembly Speaker Ayaz Sadiq chaired the in-camera meeting

ASIA MATTERS

FEASIBILTY FOR HOSTING F1 TO BE DONE: PM

Formula One boss Stefano Domenicali held talks with Thailand's prime minister on Tuesday about possible plans to bring a grand prix to the kingdom. He is keen to examine new markets as the sport soars in popularity, and Thailand has suggested it may be interested. Most of Formula One's 24-race schedule is locked in for several years, but gaps are set to open up and Domenicali suggested at the weekend that Thailand could be a contender to join the circuit. After the talks, PM Paetongtarn Shinawatra said Thailand would move ahead with a feasibility study of hosting F1. *AFP*

THREE AIR FORCES HOLD EXERCISE

The Republic of Singapore Air Force (RSAF) is taking part in a large-scale air exercise with the air forces of Thailand and the United States to enhance its combat readiness and operational capabilities, *The Straits Times* reported. The RSAF said that it has 26 aircraft, 10 air defence systems and 700 personnel participating in the exercise.

US CJ rejects Trump's call for impeaching judge

WASHINGTON

Supreme Court CJ John Roberts

IN an extraordinary display of conflict between the executive and judiciary branches, Chief Justice John Roberts rejected calls for impeaching judges shortly after President Donald Trump demanded the removal of one who ruled against his deportation plans.

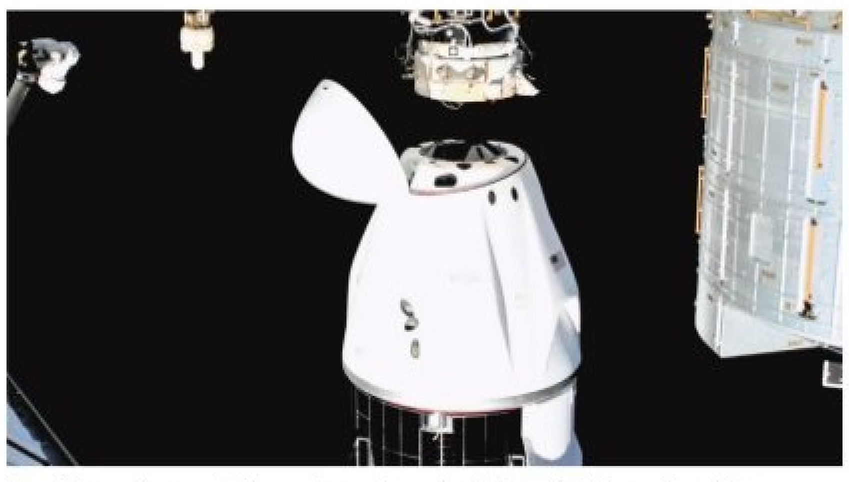
The rebuke from the Supreme Court's leader demonstrated how controversy over recent flights of Venezuelan immigrants have spiraled into a constitutional clash between two of the country's most powerful men.

"For more than two centuries, it has been established that impeachment is not an appropriate response to disagreement concerning a judicial decision," Roberts said. "The normal appellate review process exists for that purpose."

The rare statement came just hours after a social media post from Trump, who described US District Judge James E Boasberg as an unelected "troublemaker and agitator." Boasberg had issued an order blocking deportation flights that Trump was carrying out by invoking wartime authorities from an 18th century law.

"HE DIDN'T WIN ANYTHING! I WON FOR MANY REASONS, IN AN OVERWHELMING MANDATE, BUT FIGHTING ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION MAY HAVE BEEN THE NUMBER ONE REASON FOR THIS HISTORIC VICTORY," Trump wrote on his social media platform, Truth Social. "I'm just doing what the VOTERS wanted me to do. This judge, like many of the Crooked Judges' I am forced to appear before, should be IMPEACHED!!!" *AP*

Sunita to return, capsule carrying her undocks ISS, splashdown today



SpaceX capsule carrying four astronauts undocks from the International Space Station on Tuesday | AFP

CAPE CANAVERAL

NASA's two stuck astronauts headed back to Earth with SpaceX on Tuesday to close out a dramatic marathon mission that began with a bungled Boeing test flight more than nine months ago.

Butch Wilmore and Indian-origin Sunita Williams bid farewell to the International Space Station their home since last spring departing aboard a SpaceX capsule alongside two other astronauts.

The capsule undocked shortly after 1 am Eastern and aimed for a splashdown off the Florida coast five hours later, weather permitting.

The two expected to be gone just a week or so after launching on Boeing's new Starliner crew capsule on June 5. So many problems cropped up on the way to the space station that NASA eventually sent Starliner back empty and transferred the test pilots to SpaceX, pushing their homecoming into February. Then SpaceX capsule issues added another month's delay. Sunday's arrival of their relief crew meant Wilmore and Williams could finally leave. NASA cut them loose a little early, given the iffy weather forecast later this week. They checked out with NASA's Nick Hague and Russia's Alexander Gorbunov, who arrived in their own SpaceX capsule last fall with two empty seats reserved for the Starliner duo.

"We'll miss you, but have a great journey home," NASA's Anne McClain called out from the space station as the capsule pulled away 418 kms above the Pacific. Their plight captured the world's attention, giving new meaning to the phrase 'stuck at work.' While other astronauts had logged longer spaceflights over the decades, none had to deal with so much uncertainty or see the length of their mission expand by so much. Wilmore and Williams quickly transitioned from guests to fullfledged station crew. With 62 hours over nine spacewalks, Williams set a record: the most time spent spacewalking over a career among female astronauts. *AP*

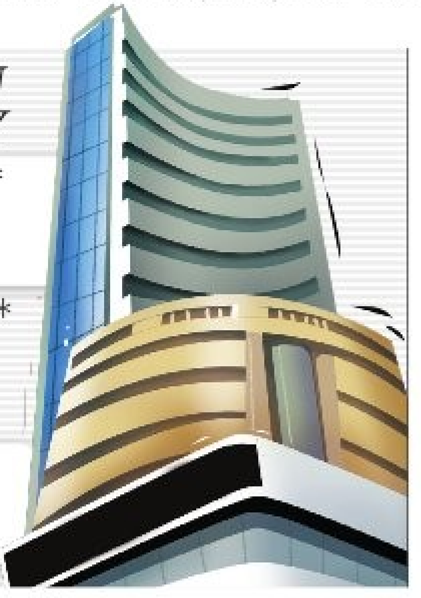
Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX	
1,131.30 ▲	Sensex	75,301.26	440 ▲	24 carat (10 gm)	₹90,150	1,100 ▲	1 kg	₹104,000	▼ Dollar	86.58
325.55 ▲	Nifty	22,834.30	400 ▲	22 carat (10 gm)	₹82,650	11 ▲	10 gm	₹1040	▼ Euro	94.38

Market at 2-month high; Nifty up 1.5%

Stocks surge on global cues, value buying; investor wealth jumps ₹7 lakh crore to ₹400 lakh crore

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi



MARKET GAIN ON TUESDAY

Sensex 1.53% 75,301.2*

Nifty50 1.45% 22,834.3*

*Closing price

Market Cap
UP BY ₹7 LAKH CRORE TO **₹400 LAKH CRORE**

All sectoral indices ended in positive territory, with auto, capital goods, consumer durables, metal, power, realty, and media indices gaining between 2-3%

TOP GAINERS IN THE NIFTY50 PACK

- ICICI Bank **3.35%**
- LARSEN & TOUBRO Ltd **3.07%**
- Shriram Finance: **3.00%**
- M&M: **2.95%**
- Tata Motors **2.69%**

IN a big relief to equity investors, Indian stock markets experienced a sharp rally on Tuesday, driven by positive global cues and value buying, with both the BSE Sensex and NSE Nifty recording their largest single-day gains in nearly two months.

The Sensex surged by 1,131.31 points (1.53%) to close at 75,301, while the Nifty50 rose by 325.55 points (1.45%) to end at 22,834.3. The Tuesday's rally came after a modest gain of about 0.50% in both benchmarks on Monday.

Investor wealth increased by approximately ₹7 lakh crore, reaching ₹400 lakh crore on Tuesday, up from ₹393 lakh crore in the previous session.

Sundar Kewat, technical and derivatives analyst at Ashika Stock Broking, attributed the rally to optimistic global market trends. He noted that softer-than-expected US retail sales data had raised hopes of potential interest rate cuts by the Federal Reserve later in the year. A key highlight was the Nifty breaking a three-week high, signaling strength in the index, he added.

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The top gainers in the Nifty50 on Tuesday were ICICI Bank, M&M, Shriram Finance, L&T, and Tata Motors while Bajaj Finserv, Bharti Airtel, and Tech Mahindra were among the losers.

Prashanth Tapse, senior VP (Research) at Mehta Equities noted that the market had been in a bearish phase over the past few weeks, making valuations more attractive. Investors took advantage of the opportunity to invest in beaten-down sectors.

However, he cautioned that the recovery might be difficult to sustain due to global challenges, including fears of slowing domestic growth and potential tariffs imposed by the US on key economies like India.

A global trade war, fueled by US tariff hikes, has heightened market volatility. Foreign Institutional Investors' relentless selling and weak corporate earnings dragged Indian benchmarks down over 12% since September peaks. Investors now await the Federal Reserve and Bank of Japan meetings.

ASIANOMICS

SRI LANKA

ECONOMY GREW AT 5% IN 2024

Sri Lanka's economy grew 5% last year, official data showed on Tuesday, beating forecasts, and marking a strong rebound from the country's worst financial crisis in decades. The economy grew 5.4% in the fourth quarter, the Census and Statistics Department said in a statement. The International Monetary Fund had forecast Sri Lanka would grow by 4.5% in 2024. Sri Lanka's agriculture sector grew 8.3% in 2024 from a year earlier, industrial output expanded by 25.5%, and services grew by 57.5%. Struck by a severe dollar shortfall, the economy went into freefall in 2022, contracting 7.3% as it grappled with soaring inflation, a sharply weaker currency and a historic foreign debt default. The economy shrank 2.3% in 2023, but it made a stronger-than-expected recovery last year as measures implemented under a $2.9 billion four-year bailout from the IMF, secured in March 2023, bore fruit.

CHINA

PETROL EXPORTS FELL 73% IN FEB

China's petrol exports in February fell to their lowest level since August 2012, customs data showed on Tuesday, on lower refinery production and slimmer profit margins. While petrol exports led the decline, falling 73% on the year to 200,000 metric tons (1.69 million barrels) in February, exports of diesel and aviation fuel also weakened, the data from the General Administration of Customs showed. For the January-February period, gasoline exports were at 700,000 tons, down 56% on the year. Diesel exports fell 42% on the year to 710,000 tons during the two months and aviation fuel exports slipped 5% on the year to 2,670,000 tons. Total exports of refined oil products, which included diesel, gasoline, aviation fuel and marine fuel, were down 18% from a year earlier, at 7.21 million tons. The data also showed that imports of liquefied natural gas (LNG) fell 19% on the year to 10.6 million tons in January-February.

HONG KONG

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE UP 3.2% IN DEC 2024

Hong Kong's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased to 3.2% in the December 2024 to February 2025 period from 3.1% in the prior three-month period, the government said on Tuesday. The unemployment rate was steady at 3.1% in November-January, October-December, September-November and August-October periods, and was slightly up from 3% in the July-September period. "The labour market should remain largely stable in the near term amidst continued economic expansion, though some businesses would be affected by the uncertainties stemming from the United States' trade protection measures," Chris Sun, secretary for labour and welfare, said in a statement.

Infosys expands base in Nordic region; opens 2 offices in Sweden

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @Bengaluru

IT services company Infosys has expanded its presence in the Nordic region by inaugurating two new offices in Älmhult and Helsingborg, Sweden. The new offices will help the company in serving regional customers across sectors, including manufacturing, logistics, and retail.

Infosys said the centres will also help customers develop advanced systems and software that will enhance their customer experience, operational efficiency, and boost innovation.

Infosys will help customers enhance digital capabilities using Infosys Topaz, an AI-first offering, and Infosys Cobalt for cloud acceleration. In recent years, Infosys expanded in the Nordics with a proximity center in Gothenburg, Sweden, strengthening ties with regional clients like Polestar, Posti, and STARK Group.

Last September, Infosys partnered with Polestar and launched a tech hub in Bengaluru to develop EV software for infotainment, ADAS, and telematics, further advancing its role in digital transformation.

LIC to decide on health insurance foray by month-end

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @Mumbai

LIFE Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) is hopeful of finalising its plans to enter the health insurance space by acquiring a stake in an operational company by the end of the month. The state-owned life insurer has been looking for a right target company for almost a year now as the health segment has been growing much faster than the rest of the industry.

Last May the company made public its intent to get into the lucrative health insurance segment through a buyout. The interest was made public after the government hinted at coming out with a composite licence regime which is the more prevalent insurance model in most of the developed market.

Though the budget 2026 did not speak about the composite licence, the finance minister in a post-budget presser had said the proposed amendments to the insurance laws will also include the composite licence regime.

"I am very much hopeful that within this financial year, before March 31, some decision can be taken," Siddhartha Mohanty, the chief executive of the nation's largest insurer, told reporters here Tuesday on the sidelines of the global summit of actuaries.

He was quick to add that LIC is not looking to acquire a majority stake in the proposed buyout, but did not share further details of the potential deal. "We will not have a 51% stake. We are exploring all possibilities," Mohanty said.

Competition in the insurance business has risen in recent years with private players ramping up their presence in the health insurance market to tap into growing consumer demand.

Insurance sector may get composite licenses

India's insurance sector has 70 players, including about six standalone health insurers, while others sell life and general products separately. Many Western nations offer composite licenses, which India allowed until Irdai barred life insurers from selling general and health products in 2016.

LIC sells life policies as well as pension plans, investment-linked insurance products but no health insurance as of now. Under the existing laws, a life insurer can only continue to service their existing health clients but not launch new products or on-board new customers.

Currently, there are 70 players in the domestic insurance industry with nearly half a dozen of them being standalone health players and the rest selling life and general products separately.

Many Western nations offer composite licenses, which India allowed until Irdai barred life insurers from selling general and health products in 2016.

Last November, Mohanty had told the TNIE that "LIC wants to be a large and serious player in the health insurance segment. We are sure we can make it really big because the market is very huge."

REPLY TO OPPN

Make in India is working, believe in it: Sitharaman

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

BRUSHING aside the opposition criticism of the 'Make in India' programme, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Tuesday said the scheme is yielding "good results" as the government has taken multiple steps to strengthen the manufacturing sector, including defence production.

"Believe in Make In India. It is giving you results," the finance minister said while replying to a debate on the supplementary demands for grants and Manipur budget in the Rajya Sabha

She said that production linked incentive (PLI) schemes have yielded good results, as they have so far attracted investments of ₹1.5 lakh crore and generated nearly ₹9.5 lakh employment opportunities. "Make in India has actually given us good results. We took step after step, after step, to strengthen the manufacturing of this country," she said.

Launched on September 25, 2014, Make in India aims to boost investment, innovation, infrastructure, and position India as a manufacturing hub.

She attacked the Congress for taking a lot of time in formulating the national manufacturing policy and for "hurriedly" signing free trade agreements with several countries, which were now being renegotiated and modified. "Make in India is showing how, for example, the defence industry was able to export," she claimed.

Sitharaman highlighted a ₹15.48 lakh crore capital outlay in the Union Budget and a rise in social sector funds to ₹60,000 crore. She said India's household debt is lower than in most emerging and developed economies, except Brazil (35%).

Hinduja keen to raise IndusInd stake, silent on fund infusion

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

ASHOK Hinduja, the chairman of IndusInd International Holdings, which is the promoter of the troubled IndusInd Bank, has said it is an "opportune time to increase the stake" in the lender as and when the regulator permits, but remained silent on immediate fund infusion into the bank following the forex derivatives losses-induced crisis.

"This is an opportune time as a promoter to increase stake. If this is the time at this price, we would like to increase stake," Hinduja said on the sidelines of a press conference to announce the completion of the acquisition of Reliance Capital here this evening.

IIHL has already got the in-principle approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to increase the stake in the bank to 26% from the current 15%. The promoter entity had previously pledged more than 50% of its holding in the bank to lenders, and is feared to be pledging more given the likely huge losses due to the mismanagement of its forex derivatives book. The company is waiting for the final approval from the RBI, he said. "All communication responses have been given to the regulator. It is now left to the regulator when and how they will give us (a go-ahead)," Hinduja said.

On March 10, the management of the bank had indicated that during an internal review of processes relating to 'Other Asset and Other Liability' accounts of its derivative portfolio, the bank had noted some discrepancies.

While refusing to comment on the crisis at the bank, he said "unless PwC submits its report to the bank board, which I expect to come in by the next week, I cannot speak on the issue as a promoter"

"The board will fix the responsibility for the issue based on the PwC report, which they have promised by next week...," Hinudja said.

A day after the bank informed the exchanges about the derivative losses, Hinduja had told reporters that as promoters, they are ready to infuse more capital into the bank. Many analysts are pegging the losses in excess of ₹2,000 crore. But today he evaded a question on infusing immediate capital into the bank.

On the new acquisition he said the management transfer of Reliance Capital will be completed by Wednesday.

Maha, Guj biggest beneficiaries of PLI scheme; eastern states fail to cash in

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

MAHARASHTRA has emerged as the biggest beneficiary of the Production-Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme, with 212 approved manufacturing units under the initiative. It is followed by Gujarat with 174 units and Telangana with 141 units.

According to Minister of State for Commerce and Industry Jitin Prasada, southern states have also seen significant participation, particularly in IT hardware and automobile production, with Karnataka attracting a total of 113 approved manufacturing units, followed by Tamil Nadu with 109 units and Andhra Pradesh with 98 units.

In a written reply to the Lok Sabha, the minister mentioned that companies participating in the PLI scheme across 14 sectors have invested approximately ₹1.52 lakh crore as of November 2024. This has led to an increase in production and sales amounting to ₹13.37 lakh crore.

The minister also stated that the scheme has also boosted exports with PLI sectors — with significant contributions from electronics, pharmaceuticals, and food processing — exporting over ₹5 lakh crore of goods.

Meanwhile, Uttar Pradesh has 80 PLI-approved units, while Haryana has 69 units. Smaller states such as Goa (12), Sikkim (15), and Himachal Pradesh (31) also received investments, mainly in consumer goods and pharmaceuticals. However, eastern and north-eastern states, including West Bengal (10), Bihar (8), and Assam (5) received fewer investments.

According to the Commerce Ministry, applications from 764 companies have been approved across 14 key sectors. The food processing sector leads with 182 approvals, followed by automobiles and auto components with 95 approvals, while the textile sector secured 74 approvals. The battery sector saw only four application approvals, while solar PV modules got 14 approvals. The drone sector received 23 application approvals, followed by pharmaceutical drug applications (55) and Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (51). Additionally, 32 applications were approved under the PLI scheme for Mobile Manufacturing and Specified Electronic Components.

The government introduced the PLI scheme to increase domestic manufacturing and exports across 14 crucial sectors.

Southern states attract over 320 manufacturing units

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Zopper aims to end FY25 with ₹500-cr revenue

UMA KANNAN @ Bengaluru

INSURTECH start-up Zopper aims to end this fiscal year with a ₹500-crore revenue, coming on back of a strong 55%-60% growth in its premiums across key lines of business.

Mayank Gupta, co-founder and COO, Zopper, told this newspaper that as macroeconomic factors such as inflation and income growth shape consumer behaviour, the demand for cost-effective and user-friendly insurance solutions is rising, especially in rural areas.

"We see a growing demand from tier-2 &3 regions, and that's where the big opportunity lies. Insurtechs can play a significant role in the underpenetrated markets and make insurance available to the populace with the help of their tech prowess," he said.

"The new funds will be utilised to enhance our digital infrastructure, focusing on strengthening the insurance distribution platform...," he said. India's insurance market grew 7.7% to ₹11.2 lakh crore in FY24, but penetration declined to 3.7%

Be prepared for 2nd jump in car prices from April this year

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

TOP car manufacturers in India, including Tata Motors, Kia India and Maruti Suzuki have announced significant price hikes for their vehicles starting next month. This marks another round of price increases in 2025, following earlier adjustments in January. The automakers attribute the decision to rising commodity prices, escalating supply chain costs and inflationary pressures.

The fresh price hike comes even as passenger vehicle (PV) sales remain muted and most carmakers and dealer showrooms offering attractive discounts on less demanded models. As per FADA data, retail PV sales fell 10.34% in February 2025 to 3.03 lakh units.

Tata Motors said on Tuesday that it will raise prices across its entire passenger vehicle (PV) range, including electric vehicles (EVs), from April. The company had previously increased PV prices by up to 3% in January. Additionally, Tata Motors announced a 2% price hike for its commercial vehicles, effective next month.

The automaker stated that the price adjustment aims to partially offset rising input costs, with the extent of the increase varying by model and variant. Tata Motors offers vehicles priced between ₹5 lakh and ₹25.09 lakh (ex-showroom Delhi).

Kia India has also announced a price hike of up to 3% across its entire lineup, effective April 1, 2025. This will be Kia's second such price hike, following a 3% increase in January 2025. Hardeep Singh Brar, senior vice-president of sales and marketing at Kia India cited rising costs for its price hike but said it is absorbing part of the burden. Maruti Suzuki will raise prices by up to 4% next month, its third hike in 2025. With raw material costs and supply chain issues mounting, other carmakers are expected to follow suit.

Development fee hike for all fliers sought by MIAL

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Mumbai

The Adani-run Mumbai International Airport (MIAL) has proposed a sharp hike in user development fees (UDF) for passengers. While domestic passengers currently pay no UDF, MIAL plans to charge ₹325 per departure. The fee for international passengers may rise from ₹187 to ₹650. To offset this, MIAL has proposed a 35% reduction in airline landing and parking charges.

Adani Airports Holdings (AAHL) also plans to invest ₹10,000 crore in redeveloping Terminal 1 and other infrastructure over five years. The Airport Economic Regulatory Authority (AERA) initiated MIAL's tariff revision process last year. If approved, this will be the first UDF proposal since the Adanis took over from GVK in 2021.

AAHL said the move balances infrastructure enhancement with world-class operations. "This reduction is expected to positively impact airfares from Mumbai," it stated. UDF is directly borne by passengers, while airlines adjust fares based on operating costs.

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Mobile: 94482 36908

Karnataka Handloom Development Corporation Limited

(A Govt. of Karnataka Undertaking)
Regional office, Shed No. A-99, 3rd Main Road, 2nd Stage Peenya, Bengaluru-560058. E-Mail: khdcsilk@gmail.com | Ph: 9900306365

No. KHDCL/2024-25/SE0019/Call-2 **Date: 18.03.2025**

SHORT TERM E-TENDER NOTIFICATION

Karnataka Handloom Development Corporation Limited (KHDCL) invites tender as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 1999 rules 2000 from eligible dyers for dyeing of Silk yarn. Last date for uploading of tender is **01.04.2025 upto 5.30 PM** & the technical bids will be opened on **03.04.2025, 11.30 AM.** The EMD amount is **Rs. 57,000/-** For more details call help desk: 8046010000/ 8022631200 or log on to **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** KHDCL reserves the right to accept or annul the entire or part of this tender at any time without assigning any reasons.

Sd/-
MANAGER PRODUCTION (SILK)

DIPR/CP/JA/5763/2024-25

Government of Karnataka

SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Indira Gandhi Centre for Career Development,
Dr. Babu Jagajeeva Ram Research Centre, Outer Ring Road,
Summanahalli Circle, Magadi Main Road, Bangalore-560091.
Ph.No.080-25578422

No: SWD/IGCCD/0S-04/03/2024-25 **Date: 18.03.2025**

Notification of Tender (Through e-tendering only)

Social Welfare Department is inviting Short Term e-Tender from Reputed & Prestigious Training Institutions through E-Procurement portal, to provide 15 days of Residential **Advanced Drone Training** for Agricultural Science Students/ Graduates/ Scientists/ Agricultural Diploma Holders belonging to SC community for **Mysore Zone** for the year 2024-25.

NO: SWD/IGCCD/0S-04/Drone-R-Mys/2024

For more details, please visit **http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/-
Chief Administrative Officer,
Indira Gandhi Centre for Career Development (IGCCD)
Social Welfare Department, Bengaluru.

DIPR/CP/5757/SSC/2024-25

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby notified that, our clients have agreed to purchase the Schedule Property from its Owner **Dr.G.R.NAGABHUSHANA** S/o late Sri.G.S.Ramaswamy, residing at Apt No.C108, Sai Sunshine Apartments, 5th Cross, Avani Sringeri Nagar, BTM Layout 4th Stage, Bengaluru-560076. If any persons have any manner of claim, right, title, interest or demand of any nature in or over the Schedule Property, they are hereby requested to file their objections along with the photocopies of the documents on which they are relying, with the undersigned within **14 (Fourteen) days** from the date of publication of this notice. Objection/s received thereafter will not be binding on our clients.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the vacant property bearing **Municipal No.2593/8/1/88, Site No.88,** having **E-PID No.6332880427,** formed in converted Sy.No.8/1, measuring **East to West on the Northern side 108ft** on the **Southern side 100feet and North to South 50ft** in all measuring 5200 Sq.ft, situated at **Akshaya Garden, Yelenahalli Village,** Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bengaluru District, within the administrative jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) Ward No.192-Begur and bounded as follows:

East by : Road
West by : Private property
North by : Site bearing No.87
South by : Site bearing No.89

Sd/- Ajay Kumar.N
For **ISHA LAW CHAMBERS LLP**
Advocates & Solicitors
No.101, 2nd Floor, Sri Manjunatha Complex, 22nd Main Road, BSK 2nd Stage, Opp : Banashankari BDA Complex, Bengaluru-560070

Directorate of Ports & Inland Water Transport,

Fortune Tower, Ground Floor, Zone - A,
Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar
Phone: 0674-2300885, Email: - portsniwt.od@nic.in

e-PROCUREMENT NOTICE

JJ-69 **Bid Identification No. DPIWT — 14/2024-25**

01. Name of work : Construction of Protection Wall to the Right Side of IWT Jetty at Chandbali in Bhadrak District.
02. No. of works : 1 (One) No
03. No. of Covers : Double cover
04. Value of works : Rs.1,91,99,000.00
05. Bid Cost : Rs.10,000.00
06. Period of Completion : 05 (Five) Calendar Months
07. Date & Time of availability of bid document in the portal : 20.03.2025 to 05.04.2025 upto 05.00 P.M.
08. Date & Time of Bid Clarification : 20.03.2025 to 27.03.2025 upto 03.00 P.M.
09. Last date & time for receipt of bids in the portal : 05.04.2025 up to 05.00 P.M.
10. Date of opening of bid document (Cover-I) : 07.04.2025 at 11.30 AM
11. Date of transparent lottery process (If situation arises) : Intimation will be given through online
12. Class of Contractor : "B" & "A" Class Contractor
13. Name and address of officer inviting Tender (OIT) : **Director, Ports & Inland Water Transport, Fortune Tower, Ground Floor, Zone-A, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar, Odisha, Pin-751023 Phone-0674-2390355, Fax-2396885. e-Mail: - portsniwt.od@nic.in**

Further details can be seen from the e-Procurement market place, https://tendersodisha.gov.in, The Addendum / Corrigendum if any will be hosted in the website only.

Sd/- Director
Ports & IWT, Odisha

OIPR-38035/11/0025/2425

PUBLIC NOTICE

This Notice is given on behalf of my client **Sri. Paramesh H. M.,** residing at 505, 1st floor, 18th Cross, NGR Layout, Roopena Agrahara, Bommanahalli, Bangalore - 560068. It is represented by my client that he has lost the Original Registered Sale Deed dated 15.02.2006 vide doc. bearing No.16270/2005-06 registered in the office of the Sub Registrar, Anekal in respect of residential property bearing Site No.3, V.P. Katha No.1527, in a Layout known as 'SIVAPRIYA NAGAR' in 'B-Block' situated at Neraluru Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore, mentioned property document lost Original Sale Deed, while going in the Bus in Boomanahalli Bangalore on 17.03.2025. With regard to this, my client has also lodged a police complaint on 17.03.2025 as per lost Article Report No.1525404/2025 Bangalore City. If anybody in possession of the aforesaid original registered document, they are requested to hand over to our office mentioned bellow immediately.

SRI. R. S. RAJESH,
Rajesh Law Associates (Advocate)
office Address #59 Money Point, 1st Floor (No.103), Opp. BMTC Bus Stand, K. H. Road, Bangalore- 560027, Mobile 8660308859.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU
Notice to the Respondent No.2
Vide order dated: 21.02.2025
R.F.A.No. 1505/2014

Sri. Murthy .Y ...Appellant
(By Sri. Ramesh Ananthan & Sidda Gangalah advs. for appellant)

-V/s-

M/s. DHFL Vysya Housing Finance Ltd. Rep. by its Managing Director & Another ... **Respondents**
(By Sri. B.S.Arivinda Babu adv. for R1 (vk not filed v/o dt.26.6.24))

To, RESPONDENT: 2 M/S. V.A.S. DEVELOPERS, REPRESENTED BY ITS OWNER, SRI C.D.K. VIJAY RAVINDRA @ PURUSHOTHAMA RAJU, S/O K. DAYANANDA RAJU, NO.271, 3RD CROSS, 3RD MAIN, J.P. NAGAR 3RD PHASE, BANGALORE-560078

Appeal From the Judgment & Decree passed on 23/09/2014 in O.S. Number 9133/2013 on the file of the Presiding Officer, FTC-VIII, C/C XXXVII Addl. City Civil Judge, (CCH-38) Bengaluru.

Notice is hereby given to you to appear in this court either in person or through Counsel duly instructed or through some one authorized by law, to act for you in the above appeal on **08-04-2025** in case you intend to contest the appeal. If you fail to appear, the same will be dealt with, heard and decided in your absence.

Issued under my hand and the seal of this court, on this 28-02-2025.

By order of the Court, Assistant Registrar, Hight Court of Karnataka, Bengaluru

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PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public is hereby informed that, my client **Sri S. Sridhar, S/o late S. Shankarachari** is intending to purchase the Schedule Property mentioned below from its owners B.S. SATISH & SWAYAM PARINIIT It is represented by the above owners that the Schedule Property is free from all encumbrances, litigations etc., and of clear and marketable title. If any person/s or Bank/s or Financial Institution/s or Society/ies who claim/s any right, title or interest of any nature in or any lien, charge or enforceable right in relation to the said Schedule Property and/or any objections of any nature to the transaction should lodge such claim and/or objections in writing to the undersigned together with supporting documents **within SEVEN days** hereof, failing which it will be presumed that no valid claims or objections subsist and our client would proceed to complete the transaction with aforesaid owner subject to compliance with other statutory and legal formalities.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable house property bearing No. 26, PID No. 18-3-26, situated at West of Chord Road Layout Extension, 4th Block, 3rd Stage, now known as Basaveshwaranagara, 4th Stage, 3rd Block, Old BMP Ward No. 18, New BBMP Ward No. 101 (Kamakshipalya), measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 61 feet, together with old building constructed thereon, comprising of Ground and First Floor with red-oxide flooring, together with civic amenities provided therein and bounded on the **East by** : Site No. 25, **West by** : Site No. 27, **North by** : Site No. 51 and **South by**: Road.

19/03/2025
Bangalore

N.R. JAGADEESWARA, B.Sc., LL.B. Advocate, No. 121/3, Om Complex, 1st Floor, Cubbonpet Main Road, Behind Hotel Raj, Bangalore-560 002, Mobile: 9341235411

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client **RADHEY SHYAM EDUCATIONAL TRUST (EURO SCHOOL) is having lease hold rights** on Property bearing Corporation Khatha No.2/27/2, measuring to an extent of 1,54,638 sq.feet out of 1,66,616 Sq.feet in the land bearing Sy.No.27/2 measuring 3 Acre 33 Guntas Situated at Srinivasapura Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk and the said property bounded on : **East by :** Property belonging to Driver Muniyappa, **West by :** Property belonging to Muniswamappa, **North by :** Remaining Portion of land belonging to Venkataramana and K.V Achamma **South by :** Kannur Main Road and my client acquired the Lease Hold rights on the said property from K.Venkataramana and K.V.Achamma under a Lease Deed which is registered as Document No. GNR-1-03938-2014-2015 of book-I Stored in CD No.GNRD10, dated 22.01.2015 and Whereas my client states that while in transit he has lost the aforesaid Original Lease Deed. In this regards my client has made Search of the said documents, inspite of his/its best efforts the above said Original Lease Deed has not been traced out so far. In this behalf my client has lodged complaint on 04.03.2025 through Bengaluru City Police Website, Police Unit: Crime Branch Bengaluru City Police, Bangalore (Vide Serial No.1504843). If anybody is having custody over the above mentioned Document or finds the same, they shall communicate/contact me with original documents to the below mentioned address.

I.M.DEVAIAH
I.M. DEVAIAH & ASSOCIATES,
Advocates,
No.4, Opp:Seshadripuram P.O,
Seshadripuram, Bangalore – 560 020.
Off:080-23462357; (Mob) 9845105603
E-Mail: imdevaiah_advocate@yahoo.co.in
Place: Bangalore Date: 17.03.2025

IN THE COURT OF THE XIX ADDL CITY CIVIL JUDGE BANGALORE (CCH No 19)
O.S.No.7425/2024

BETWEEN: Sri.Krishna Kumar R., S/o Late.S.Rama Rathnam, Aged about 54 yrs, Residing at No.124, 4th main, BTM layout 1st stage, KEB layout, Bengaluru-560 029 ... **PLAINTIFF/APPLICANT**

AND: Smt.G.Vijayalakshmi, Aged about 45yrs, W/o Not known, Residing at No.112, 2nd main, 3rd Cross, J.P.Nagar 7th phase, Bengaluru-560 078. ... **DEFENDANT /RESPONDENT**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas the Plaintiff/ petitioner has filed/instituted the above case/petition against you in the O.S.No.7425/24 restraining you, your agents servants, henchmen, supporters or any other person acting under him from interfering with the Plaintiff's peaceful possession and enjoyment of suit schedule property. You are hereby summoned to appear in this court in person or through a pleader duly instructed on **23-04-2025** at 11:00 A.M. to answer the same. The Petition will be heard and determined in your absence placing you as Ex-parte.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing site / House/List No.18, Khatha No.138, BBMP Khatha No.5362/138/18, property No.121/9, situated at Kothnur Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, property comes under the jurisdiction of BBMP Konankunte ward No.195, now comes under the BBMP limits, Bangalore., measuring East to West by: 40 ft. North to South by: 30 feet, totally measuring 1200 sqft, and the same is bounded on the **East by:** Property No.17, **West by:** Property No.19, **North by:** Private Property, **South by:** 30 feet Road.

Given Under my hand and seal of the Court on 12-03-2025.

By order of the court, Senior Sheristedar, City Civil Court at Bangalore.

SRI.R.MOHAMMED RIYAZULLA, Advocate
R.M.R. & ASSOCIATES
No.174/40, 20-B, Lucky Paradise, 1st Floor, 22nd Cross, 8th F main, 3rd Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560 011.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client, **Sri. PERUMALLA SRIRAMANJANEYULU,** Aged about 41 years, S/o. Sri. Perumalla Satyanarayana, R/at. No. 25-9-3/3, Old post Office Street, Eluru Narasimharao Peta, West Godavari, Andhra Pradesh-534006 , is intending to purchase the Schedule property from its owner **Smt. NALINA,** Aged about 37 years, W/o. Sri. B. E. Suresh, R/at. Sai Baba Temple Road, Devanahalli Taluk, Budigere, Bangalore Rural, Karnataka-562129, For Valuable Consideration. Any persons having any rights/claims/objections/Minor Claims, in respect of the schedule property are hereby requested to send their objections to the above mentioned address within 7 days, from the receipt of this public notice. If no objections are forth coming within 7 days, my clients shall get executed sale deed in his favour.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of the Land bearing Survey No. 250/9, Old Survey No.250/1, Situated at **Budigere Village,** Chanarayapatna Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. Measuring 2 ½ Guntas

East by : Dhongara and Gramatana,
West by : Road,
North by : Road,
South by : Shivarajana Property.

Mr. Manjunath Reddy, B.A., LLB.,
Smt. T. Shobha Reddy, B.Sc., LLB.,
No. 8/7, Mega City BEML Layout Road,
Maragondanahalli Main Road,
K.R. Puram Post, Bangalore-36.
Ph:- 8951697887, 9845520830, 7353233778.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given to the general public that, my client **Mrs. K. Farhath Naz,** W/o. Mr. Mir Athaulla, is intended to purchase the below mentioned Schedule Property from its absolute owners Mrs.Thelma Nicholas and Mrs.Christina Irwin.

Any other person/s having any right, title, interest, claim or demand against or in respect of the said units by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, gift, lease, loan, trust, agreement, license, possession, easement, attachment, lispendence or otherwise whatsoever are hereby required to make the same known to the undersigned at the address given below within **Fifteen [15] days'** time from the publication of this notice and obtain valid acknowledgments thereof, failing which it will be presumed that there is no such claim and no claim shall thereafter be entertained.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of land with old residential building thereon, the property bearing Site No.11, (formed out of Sy. Nos.12/4, 14, 15 and 16), situated at Hebbal Layout, A.G.S. Office Colony Hebbal, Hebbal Village, Bangalore, now comes under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike, Ward No.21 (Hebbal), PID No.96-4-11, EPID: 6040650516, AGS Colony, Anandnagar, Bengaluru 560024. Measuring East to West: 40' feet and North to South: 30' feet, totally measuring 1200 sq.ft. With old residential building thereon with other basic amenities provided. The same is being bounded on the: **East by:** Road, **West by :** U.A.S Lands, **North by:** Site No.10 and **South by:** Site No.12

Sd/- **SHASHIKUMAR .R,** Advocate
S-2, Pearl Naksha, No.161/1, 1st Main Road, Sheshadripuram, Bengaluru-560020
Mob: +91 9902344744 / 9902012703
Date: 18/03/2025

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer, Hebbala Division,
2nd Floor, BBMP Building, J.C. Nagar Main Road,
Munireddy Palya, Bengaluru - 560032.

No: EE/HBL/TEND/12/2024-25 **Date: 18-03-2025**

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION - (CALL-2)

(Through GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal only)

Tenders on item rate basis are invited by the Executive Engineer, Hebbal Division, BBMP, Bengaluru for the works mentioned below from the registered Contractors of BBMP or equivalent registration with CPWD / KPWD / Railways / MES or any State Government Organizations.

(Standard Tender Document - KW-3)

Sl. No.	Name of the Work / Category
1	Comprehensive Development and Improvements to Roads, Drains and Footpath at Gunduthopu Area in Geddalahalli in Ward No. 61, Radhakrishana Temple Ward. **(Call-2) - (SC) - Estimated Amount (Rs. in Lakhs): 100.00, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 1,00,000.00**
2	Comprehensive Development and Improvements to Roads and Drains at 5th Cross Road Kousar Nagar and 5th Cross Road Rahmath Nagar in Ward No. 66, Chamundinagar. **(Call-2) - (CAT-1) - Estimated Amount (Rs. in Lakhs): 100.00, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 1,00,000.00**

Calendar of Events: **1)** Tender documents can be downloaded from the GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from 20-03-2025. 2)** Pre Bid Meeting will be held on **24-03-2025 at 15.00 Hours in the Office of the Executive Engineer, Hebbal Division, J.C. Nagar Main Road, Bengaluru - 560032. 3)** Last Date for Uploading the Filled Proposals is **02-04-2025 upto 16.00 Hours. 4)** Date of Opening of Financial Bid is **03-04-2025 after 16.30 Hours.** Further details can be had from the above office.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Hebbala Division, BBMP.

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER
RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, ANGUL

0-1627
E-Mail - sencrwangul@yahoo.co.in, Ph: 06764 - 236404

No. 926 // Dt. 17.03.2025 //

NOTICE INVITING TENDER FOR ROAD WORKS IN ODISHA
Bid Identification No. Road Online AGL- 27/2024-25

1. Name of the work : Road work
2. Total No. of work : 01 No.
3. Estimated cost : Rs. 505.47 Lakhs
4. Class of Contractor : As per annexure.
5. Period of completion : As per annexure.
6. Other details :

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Availability of Tender on-line for bidding		Last Date & Time of seeking tender clarification	Date & time of opening of tender	
		From	To		Technical Bid	Financial Bid
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Angul	Road Online AGL- 27/2024-25	25.03.25 at 10.00 AM	08.04.25 up to 5.00 PM	07.04.25 up to 1.00 PM	09.04.25 at 10.00 AM	Will be intimated separately

For detailed Notice inviting Tenders, Please visit to the website www.tendersorissa.gov.in.

OIPR- 25180/11/0043/2425 **Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Angul**

CHENNAI METROPOLITAN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Thalamuthu Natarajan Building, No.1, Gandhi Irwin Road, Egmore, Chennai - 600 008.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) – e-Procurement Notification
(Consulting Services – Firm selection)

Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority (CMDA) invites eligible consulting firms to submit their proposal for providing the services for the below mentioned assignment.

Consultancy Services for the Preparation of Local Area Plan For Anna Salai and Old Mahabalipuram Road (OMR)

The RFP document is available on the website **http://tntenders.gov.in** as tabulated below:

Details	Dates
RFP No.	**C1/947/2024 dated 14.03.2025**
Pre-bid meeting	**25.03.2025**
Last date and time of receipt of E-tenders	**03.04.2025 upto 15.00 hrs**
Downloading the tender document	**19.03.2025 to 03.04.2025 upto 15.00 hrs**

The proposal shall be submitted only through the website mentioned. Any other mode of Submission of the proposal through email, speed post, courier, etc. will not be considered.

Any further Corrigendum or Amendment shall be notified on the website **http://tntenders.gov.in** only. Consultants shall regularly visit the website to keep themselves updated. For any communication mail at **cmdaprocurement@gmail.com**

Member Secretary
Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority

DIPR/ 1073 /TENDER/2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

I the undersigned advocate on behalf of my client **Munipillappa, S/o late. Puttappa,** Aged about 55 years, R/at Channarayapanta Village, Channarayapatna Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District have filed the above petition for the death certificate of one **Late. Yellamma W/o Late. Puttappa who died on 07.08.2017** at Channarayapanta Village, Channarayapatna Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District if any 3rd parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same can appear before the Hon'ble 1St Addl Civil Judge and J.M.F.C at Devanahalli and the date hearing **on 26.04.2025 at 11.00 A.M in Crl.Mis.No. 60/2025.**

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer
Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
Sri A. Narayanaswamy, Advocate

LOST

I, Mr. GANESH G. K, have lost/ misplaced Original Absolute Sale Deed Regd.No.3599/1972-73, Book I, Vol-1733, Pages-160-164, Dated : 16-02-1973, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Bangalore, is lost or misplaced while travelling from my house which is in Horamavu and I have lodge complaint before the Police Station, If found please contact : at No. 9342136056.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that my client **Smt.B.S.KAVITHA, D/o Late S.S.LOOMBA LIHUNG, W/o.Sri.Pavan Kumar,** is the absolute owner of the property bearing Old No. 23-103, Municipal No.23 situated at Madivala now known as Jaibheemanagar, BTM Ist Stage, Bangalore-560 068, presently coming under BBMP NO.23, situated at 3rd Main Road, Venkateswara Layout, Jaibheemanagar, **PID No.65-80-23** Ward No.65, BTM Layout 1st Stage, Bangalore-560068, measuring **East to West 48 Feet and North to South 53+42/2 in total measuring 1,900 sq feet.**

In this connection my client understands some third persons are indulging in illegal and unlawful activities attempting to sell the below mentioned **Schedule Property** by creating documents. Therefore it is made it clear by this notice that my client is not responsible/liable or in any manner bound to the acts of such third persons and the purchasers or any persons interacting with such third persons in any manner are doing so at their risk. My client is not at all responsible nor liable for the same.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Site Old No. 23-103, Municipal No.23 situated at Madivala now known as Jaibheemanagar, BTM Ist Stage, Bangalore-560 068, presently coming under BBMP NO.23, situated at 3rd main road, Venkateswara Layout, Jaibheemanagar, **PID No.65-80-23 Ward No.65, BTM Layout 1st Stage, Bangalore-560068, measuring East to West 48 Feet and North to South 53+42/2 in total measuring 1,900 Sq feet consisting of Ground floor 1st floor and 2nd floor with all civic amenities** and bounded on:-

East by : property No.12,
West by : Road,
North by : Private property.
South by : Property No.22,

Sd/- **S.S.JAGADISH ACHARYA,** Advocate
Flat No.205, 2nd floor "MSR MANSION"
SRIRAMPURA, Jakkur Post,
Bangalore-560 064. (M) 9901770069

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Can Fin Homes Ltd

Recovery Department
Regd Off: No.29/1, Sir M.N.Krishna Rao Road
Basavangudi, Bangalore – 560 004.
Email: recovery@canfinhomes.com
Website: www.canfinhomes.com
Mob: + 91 - 7625079465

CORRIGENDUM

In this newspaper we have published Demand Notice Dt. 17.03.2025 on 18.03.2025 of the borrower Mr. Naganna and others, the last line of 5th Para in the said is typed and published as *"The details of the loan dues as on 31.02.2025 stated in below table." There is a correction due to clerical mistake, in the said line.* Please read the said line as ***"The details of the loan dues as on 28.02.2025 stated in below table."***

Sd/-
Place: Bangalore **Authorised Officer**
Date :18.03.2025 **Can Fin Homes Limited**

NOTIFICATION

Tripura Industrial Development Corporation Ltd. (TIDC Ltd.) is inviting applications from the Indian Citizen to fill up the post of **1(one)** post of **Company Secretary (UR)** and **1(One) post** of **Chartered Accountant (UR)** purely on **contractual basis.**

Interested candidates may submit application as per prescribed application format along with photocopies of all relevant documents. Eligibility criteria, qualification, application format and for other details may visit **https://tidc.tripura.gov.in/** and **https://tripura.gov.in/.** Last date of application submission is **31st March, 2025 up-to 5:30 PM** through email to **tidcestablishment@gmail.com.**

Sd/-
ICA/D/2025/25 **OSD, TIDC Ltd**

PUBLIC NOTICE

TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

My client **Mr. M.B. GURUNATH,** aged about 43 years, son of late M.R. Baladev, residing at No.714/C, 10th Cross, 4th Main, M.C. Layout, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru-560 040, is negotiating to purchase the immovable property which is more fully described in the SCHEDULE hereunder, for a valuable sale consideration from **(1) Mr. VISHWANATHA KRISHNAMURTHY,** aged about 60 years, son of late K.V. Krishnamurthy **(2) Mrs. K. VIJAYALAKSHMI,** aged about 54 years, daughter of late K.V. Krishnamurthy, residents of No.20, 'Shyam Nilaya', 7th 'A' Main Road, 21st Cross, C.H.B.S. Layout, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru-560 040, who are claiming to be the absolute owners of the schedule property. The aforesaid persons have represented and assured my client that they have clear, marketable, subsisting absolute title and peaceful possession over the Schedule Property and that the Schedule Property is free from any kind of charge, lien, mortgage, debt, claims, encumbrances, court attachments, etc., and there is no impediment or hindrances for the proposed sale transaction. Now through this notice, I call upon the general public, any person/s or institution/s claiming to have any right, title, interest or any other claim/s over the schedule property or having any objection/s for the proposed sale transaction, may lodge their objections or claims along with the supporting documents with the undersigned within **15 (FIFTEEN) DAYS** from the date of publication of this notice. If no such objections/claims are received within the said time, my clients will proceed to complete the sale transaction and if any objections or claims are lodged beyond the prescribed period of time, it shall not be binding on my clients.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the immovable residential property bearing old CITB Site No.1126, formed and allotted by the erstwhile City Improvement Trust Board now called as Bangalore Development Authority at **Hosahalli Extension Layout, Bengaluru,** which is presently bearing **Municipal No.9, PID No.33-5-9 and new E-PID No.9811534416** and situated at **3rd 'A' Main Road, Vijayanagar, within the administrative jurisdiction of Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) Ward No.123-Vijayanagar, Bengaluru** and the land of the said property measuring **East to West: 30 feet or 9.14 meters** and **North to South: 50 feet or 15.24 meters,** in all measuring totally **1,500 square feet or 139.35 square meter,** together with an old R.C.C. roofed residential building thereon, and the entire property is bounded on the: **East by:** Site No.1125, **West by:** Site No.1127, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Site No.1114.

B.K. MARE GOWDA, Advocate
No.12, 2nd Floor, 10th Cross, Cubbonpet, Bangalore-560 002.
Date 19.03.2025

GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU

KALLAKURICHI MUNICIPALITY

Retender Notice
Form of contract: Item rate (Two cover system)

Roc No: 2226/2021/E2 Date : 17.03.2025

Bids are invited by the Commissioner, Kallakurichi Municipality or his authorized person for **Providing Under Ground Sewerage Scheme in Kallakurichi Municipality and Operation and Maintenance of Under Ground Sewerage Scheme Collection System for 5 Years in Kallakurichi Municipality** at an estimate cost-**Rs.13198.25 Lakhs & Desing, construction and Erection of 8.46 MLD Sewage Treatment Plant on Desing, Build, Operate and Transfer (DBOT) Basis and Operation and Maintenance of 8.46 MLD Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) SBR Technology Works for 10 Years in Kallakurichi Municipality** at an estimate cost-**Rs.3518.37 Lakhs** under SBM(Urban) 2.0, KNMT 2024-25 & 2025-26, PSGF out of Savings From Completed Externally Aided Projects & General Fund. The bid documents can be downloaded from the website **https://tntenders.gov.in** at free of cost. Only E-submission of tenders will be accepted. Amount of Earnest Money Deposit can be referred by tender document. Any additional / further details and conditions related to this tender can be had from engineering section of this office on all working days during office hours.

Important dates

1	Bid document download from	**20.03.2025**
2	Date and time of Pre bid meeting	**24.03.2025 at 11.00 AM**
3	Last date and time for downloading bid documents	**16.04.2025 at 3.00 PM**
4	Last Date and time for submission of bid documents (Online Submission)	**16.04.2025 at 3.00 PM**
5	Date and time of opening of the Bid	**16.04.2025 at 3.30 PM**

In the event of specified date for submission of bids is declared a holiday, bids will be received and opened on the next working day at the same time and venue. Date of opening of Price bid will be informed after scrutinizing the Technical bid to the eligible bidders.

Commissioner
Kallakurichi Municipality.

DIPR/1049/Tender/2025

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

"APPENDIX- IV-A [See provision to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6)]"

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s), Mortgagor (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Bank of Baroda, Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is"**, **"As is what is"**, and **"Whatever there is"** basis for recovery of dues in below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/Mortgagor/Guarantor/s/Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below -

Sr. lot no.	Name & address of Borrower	Description of the Properties	Total Dues	Date & Time of Auction	Reserve Price EMD Amount Increment amount	Status of Possession (Constructive/ Physical)	Property Inspection date & time
1	**1) M/s. Sneha Enterprises,** Being represented by Prop. Mr. Gangadhar B, No.391, 3rd Main, 5th Cross, R R Layout, Nagadevanahalli, Bangalore-560056. **2) Mrs. Chikkathayamma,** No.15, 1st Main Road, 6th Cross, Shivkumar Layout, Nagadevanahalli, Bangalore-560056. **3) Mrs. Hemalatha** No.15, 1st Main Road, 6th Cross, Shivkumar Layout, Nagadevanahalli, Bangalore-560056.	All that piece and parcel of the Site belonging to Smt. Chikkatayamma, No.15 BBMP Khatha No. 1060/1024/32/6/2/15 Old Village Khatha No. 32/9, 32/5 and 32/6 situated at Nagadevanahalli Village, KengeriHobli, Bangalore South Taluk earlier within the limits of CMC and presently within the limits of BBMP Ward No.130 of Kengeri Sub Division Ward (Ullala) measuring East to West 40 ft. and North to South 70 ft. having the following boundaries: East By: Property No.16, 16/A West By: Property No.14 North By: Road South By: Property No.11A and 12A.	**Rs.42,34,245.76** (Rupees Forty-Two Lakhs Thirty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Forty Five and Seventy Six Paisa) Plus Interest and Legal Expenses	**23.04.2025** between 02.00 PM to 06.00 PM	**Rs. 2,34,00,000/-** **Rs.23,40,000/-** **Rs. 25,000/-**	Symbolic Possession	With prior appointment from Authorised Officer

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer/visit to the website link https://www.bankofbaroda.in/e-auction.htm and online auction portal https://baanknet.com and also, prospective bidders may contact the Authorised officer on Tel No. 080-22873561& 080-22873757.

Date: 17.03.2025
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/-
Authorised Officer,
Bank of Baroda, City Market Branch

MAHA-KUMBH-MELA 2025

(Incident dated 29.01.2025)

THREE MEMBER JUDICIAL INQUIRY COMMISSION

PUBLIC NOTICE

Date-18.03.2025

Under rule 5(2)(b) of commission of Inquiry Act (Uttar Pradesh) rules, 1985

Whereas a 03-member Judicial Inquiry Commission headed by Justice Harsh Kumar (Former Judge, Hon'ble High Court, Allahabad) has been constituted by the Government of Uttar Pradesh vide Notification No.- 02/6-Pu0-11-2025-01M/2025 dated 29th January, 2025 and extending the scope and period of inquiry vide notification No- 93/6-Pu0-11-2025-01M/2025 dated 22nd February, 2025.

That as per the reference in the said notification, the Commission has to conduct an inquiry in public interest in respect of the stampede incident that did take place in the Kumbh-Mela (fair) area during Mauni Amavasya at Mahakumbh, Prayagraj on 29.01.2025 resulting in death and injuries to some of the devotees.

Therefore, this Commission invites all the persons aware of the facts and circumstances of the above mentioned subject to give their statement, preferably affidavit, regarding the stampede incident that took place in the Kumbh Mela area on **29-01-2025.** Any person who has any original video related to this incident, made by him is also requested to make the video available in original form on **email id of the Judicial Commission "mahakumbhcommission@gmail.com"** or **WhatsApp no.- 9454400596** of the commission.

The above statements (in duplicate) / videos may be sent to the office of this Commission (at the address and e-mail/whatsapp number given below) in person or through an authorized representative or by **registered post, on any working day between 12:00 noon and 4:30 pm within 10 days from the date of publication of the said notice.**

ADDRESS OF OFFICE

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Three Member Judicial Inquiry Commission

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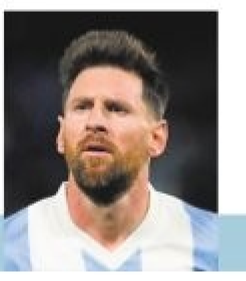
Messi out of World Cup qualifiers



Lionel Messi will miss Argentina's World Cup qualifiers against Uruguay and Brazil over the next eight days because of an injury to his adductor. The 37-year-old was not included in the 25-man squad announced on Monday. Later Monday, Inter Miami said Messi underwent an MRI for an injury that the team said occurred in Sunday's win over Atlanta United

ATTENTION SHIFTS TO ROYALS, SUNRISERS

On day three of our countdown, a look at Rajasthan Royals and Sunrisers Hyderabad and how their new squad looks ahead of the season...

Pat Cummins

SUNRISERS HYDERABAD

KEY PLAYERS

TRAVIS HEAD

In what is a batting heavy unit, it is a no brainer that the Australian holds key to SRH's plans. Head is at the peak of his powers across formats and will be the force that his team relies on up front.

HEINRICH KLAASEN

If Head is at the top, the South African holds the key in the middle. Another player at his best will do the maximum damage in the death overs. This time, he will have some assistance from Abhinav Manohar in this department.

BIG SIGNINGS

ISHAN KISHAN

After being in the blue for long, the star keeper-batter will be turning up in orange. In what is a line-up filled with overseas heavyweights and Indian youngsters, Kishan brings the experience and has a point to prove.

MOHAMMED SHAMI

Even after his comeback, it felt like the veteran was struggling for consistent rhythm. But with just four overs to bowl, Shami will be crucial with the new ball, allowing Pat Cummins to operate in middle-overs.

SUBPLOTS

Problem of plenty

In the batting department, they have way too many quality players and some of them play in similar positions. It will be interesting to see where Nitish Reddy, Manohar and Kishan fits in and what role they have to play.

Defence the way to go

For the template they have set, the batting powerhouse has lined-up a prominently defensive bowling attack. In Rahul Chahar and Adam Zampa, they have two quality leg spinners while also turning to Harshal Patel in death along with Shami.

RAJASTHAN ROYALS

KEY PLAYERS

SANJU SAMSON

He has been the face of the franchise for a while now but last year was disappointing for Samson. This time, with a young batting line-up, RR will look up to their captain for inspiration and want him to lead from front.

YASHASVI JAISWAL

He is the rising star of this generation and has already made a mark in the 2022 season. Since then, he has not been able to replicate a similar success. The left-hander will want to have a blockbuster season and that is what his team will expect.

BIG SIGNINGS

JOFRA ARCHER

It is homecoming for the England pacer as he returns to the team where he started. Archer, however, is not the same bowler anymore and will have to be used and managed carefully. He will be assisted by Fazalhaq Farooqi and Kwena Maphaka.

TUSHAR DESHPANDE

While Sandeep Sharma has been doing the dirty job in the death for RR, the Mumbai pacer should give him a breather. He had done well for CSK and will want to continue a similar kind of performance and rise to the occasion for RR.

SUBPLOTS

Indian batting core

Barring Shimron Hetmyer, the entire unit is made of homegrown talents. They will need Jaiswal, Riyan Parag and Dhruv Jurel — all three international stars now — to come to the party big time this season.

Lankan spin duo

Having let go of Yuzvendra Chahal and R Ashwin, RR will depend on Maheesh Theekshana and Wanindu Hasaranga this year. They have been consistent in international level, but have blown hot and cold in IPL. Along with Kumar Kartikeya, can they deliver for RR?

ROUND UP

Samson joins RR after recovering from injury

JAIPUR: Rajasthan Royals skipper Sanju Samson has joined his IPL team after completing his recovery from a finger surgery he underwent last month. The 30-year-old cricketer, who finished his rehabilitation at the Centre of Excellence in Bengaluru, attended the Royals' first practice session on Monday ahead of the upcoming season. Samson had suffered the injury after being struck by a bouncer from Jofra Archer during India's five-match T20I series against England. Following the injury, he underwent surgery to treat the damaged finger.

Salt will take a lot of pressure off Kohli: De Villiers

NEW DELHI: South African batting great AB de Villiers believes Virat Kohli should focus on playing smart cricket and continue controlling the game this season as RCB possess immense firepower with Phil Salt expected to ease the pressure on the Indian superstar. "Virat seems to be enjoying his cricket. I don't think he's going to have to up his strike rate batting with Phil Salt," de Villiers said on JioStar Press Room on Tuesday. "Salt is one of the most attacking players we've ever seen. I think he's going to take a lot of pressure off Virat," he added.

Rift wide open as BFI chief suspends secy and treasurer

INDRANEEL DAS @Chennai

THE Boxing Federation of India election is getting more and more intriguing and messier. Days ahead of the election, the BFI president, Ajay Singh, has suspended its secretary Hemanta Kalita and treasurer Digvijay Singh over alleged financial irregularities. This, on a day, when the Returning Officer rejected Kalita's name from the final list of nominated candidates on Tuesday.

According to a letter issued by the BFI president on Tuesday, the decision has been taken after an investigation by a former judge. "Justice Jain has concluded his investigation and submitted his report, which has found both of you guilty of serious charges of financial irregularities and mismanagement of funds," the letter said. The investigation was carried out on the basis of a complaint received by the Sports Authority of India (SAI). "The findings of the report establish a clear breach of fiduciary duties and responsibilities expected from individuals holding key positions within the Federation," the BFI chief said in the letter. The investigation was initiated after the SAI had asked the BFI to investigate the charges levelled against the office-bearers. "It is deeply disheartening because I not only trusted them but believed that, as office bearers, they would work towards the growth of boxing in India and its global stature. However, their actions have left me with no choice but to take this course. It is unfortunate that instead of strengthening the sport, they have undermined the very foundation we worked so hard to build," Ajay Singh said.

Kalita was quite crossed with the letter. He dismissed the allegations as baseless and said that the treasurer and he would take legal action. Kalita even claimed that since the RO has taken over the election process, the BFI president has no power to send such a letter. "This is also in violation of our constitution that says that any decision to suspend office-bearers has to be passed in the executive council and the general assembly," he said. Kalita even claimed that the BFI chief is resorting to this because he doesn't have majority in the election. The investigation apparently was initiated when the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) had formed an ad hoc committee.

Ajay Singh

Final nominated candidate list

The Boxing Federation of India election has entered the next phase after the RO finalized the nominated candidates list for the elections to be held on March 28. As expected, the name of secretary general who had filed in nomination for the post of president was rejected on the ground of violation of National Sports Development Code of India 2011.

RK Gauba, the RO, heard all parties concerned on Tuesday before reaching a conclusion. Gauba, in his 'Record of Proceedings for Scrutiny of nominations', said that Kaliata has to go into mandatory cooling off. As pointed out by this newspaper from the beginning, the NSDCI 2011 mandates that a secretary and treasurer (both considered office-bearers) can serve a maximum of two terms of four years before cooling off if he or she wants to contest for the president's post. "The Secretary General and the Treasurer can serve a maximum of two (2) successive terms of four (4) years each, after which a minimum cooling off period of four (4) years will apply before either can seek fresh election for the posts of secretary general and treasurer," said the RO's record. Kaliata, however, could have contested for any other posts in the Executive Council but has not filed nomination for any posts other than that of president's.

With this, the number of candidates contesting for president's post is three. BFI president will be squaring off against former Indian Amateur Boxing Association and Indian Boxing Federation secretary general Rajesh Bhandari and D Chanderlal, secretary of the Kerala boxing association. Bhandari and Chanderlal are backing the Anurag Thakur faction. The former sports minister's name was deleted over violation of rules specified in a letter written by the BFI president on March 7. Bhandari is the Himachal Pradesh boxing unit president and he along with the secretary had forwarded Thakur's name.

Apart from two rejections on technical grounds and one subject to a court order (Odisha's Anil Kumar Bohidar), most of the nominations were accepted by the RO.

Focus on sports code ahead of BFI polls

The suspense will continue for a few days more as the last date of withdrawal is March 21 at 5pm. Though two different panels have emerged, there will be contests for the posts of secretary and treasurer, as of now. Usually, sports elections are settled well before the election. But the last BFI election was quite intense with Singh just about managing to win by 10 votes, less than 2/3 majority. The Delhi High Court, in its order dated 16.08.2022, said that re-election for the post of office-bearer has to be 2/3. Interestingly, the sports ministry's guidelines of 2010, signed by former sports secretary and then joint secretary Injeti Srinivas, says that "the other provisions in respect of the tenure limit as contained in the letter of 1975 mentioned above shall remain." It needs to be seen how things will pan out in the next few days.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Runner Archana gets four-year doping ban

ENS @Chennai

LONG distance runner Archana Laxman Jadhav has been suspended by the World Athletics anti-doping watchdog Athletics Integrity Unit (AIU) for testing positive for banned substance. According to the AIU document uploaded on its website, Archana's sample was collected during the Pune Half Marathon on December 15, 2024 and was sent to the Delhi laboratory.

Archana's sample returned positive for Oxandrolone, an anabolic steroid. She was provisionally suspended on January 7. What ensued were some interesting communications between the AIU and the athletes. She had contested the result initially and said "that she was unsure about the result and requested the B Sample analysis". However, when the AIU got in touch with her and asked for full payment to conduct the test, she did not reply or pay the full amount. After an extended deadline, the athlete was given time to submit "additional information to explain the Adverse Analytical Finding by no later than 31 January 2025".

The commencement of suspension is from the date of provisional suspension on January 7 and is for four years.

PTPA launches series of cases against tennis bodies

AFP @Paris

A TENNIS union co-founded by Novak Djokovic on Tuesday announced a series of legal actions aimed at the sport's governing bodies, alleging "anticompetitive restraints and abusive practices".

The Professional Tennis Players' Association (PTPA) said it was suing the Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP), Women's Tennis Association (WTA), International Tennis Federation (ITF), and International Tennis Integrity Agency (ITIA) in a series of actions in the United States, United Kingdom and the European Union. The PTPA was set up by Djokovic and Canadian Vasek Pospisil in 2020. Some 20 players were named as part of at least one of the actions. "The lawsuits expose systemic abuse, anti-competitive practices, and a blatant disregard for player welfare that have persisted for decades," said the PTPA statement. "The ATP, WTA, ITF, and ITIA operate as a cartel by implementing a number of draconian, interlocking anticompetitive restraints and abusive practices."

"Tennis is broken," said Ahmad Nassar, Executive Director of the PTPA. "Behind the glamorous veneer that the defendants promote, players are trapped in an unfair system that exploits their talent, suppresses their earnings, and jeopardises their health and safety." The statement listed alleged abuses they are targeting. It said the defendants "colluded", "fixing prize money and suppressing player earnings" forcing "an unsustainable schedule" and exploiting players financially.

The bodies show a "disregard for players" by making them "compete in 100-degree (Fahrenheit) heat, endure matches that ended at 3 AM, and play with different and injury-inducing tennis balls".

The PTPA also cited image right ownership, sponsorship restrictions and the "draconian system of ranking points".

The statement also complained that tennis violates player "privacy rights". "Players are subjected to invasive searches of personal devices, random middle-of-the-night drug tests, and interrogations without legal representation," it said.

EXPRESS READ

Pakistan-Origin cricketer dies on field

ADELAIDE: Junail Zafar Khan, a club-level Pakistan-origin cricketer, has died after collapsing on the ground during a local game played in extreme heat. In his 40s, Khan was playing for Old Concordians Cricket Club in a match against Prince Alfred last Saturday, *news.com.au* reported. After fielding for 40 overs and batting for seven, Khan collapsed on the field. According to data from the Bureau of Meteorology, temperatures in South Australia were still above 40 degree Celsius at the time.

BCCI Apex Council to meet on Mar 22 in Kolkata

CHENNAI: Discussion of the organising committee for the Women's ODI World Cup, structure of the upcoming domestic season and the tobacco sponsorship ban are among the topics to be discussed in the BCCI Apex Council meeting set to be held in Kolkata ahead of the opening game of the 2025 Indian Premier League on March 22. Meanwhile, the 2025-26 domestic season will also be discussed in the meeting. India are set to host two Tests against West Indies men and an all-format series against South Africa men. *ENS*

New Zealand beat Pakistan by five wickets

DUNEDIN: Tim Seifert blasted 45 from 22 balls and Finn Allen hit 38 from 16 as New Zealand cruised to a five-wicket win over Pakistan on Tuesday in a rain-shortened second Twenty20 cricket international. Captain Salman Ali Agha made 46 as Pakistan reached 135-9 in a match reduced to 15 overs per innings after a delay for wet outfield. But after Seifert and Allen hit five sixes apiece, New Zealand sped towards its target.

All eyes on Chhetri as India face Maldives

SHILLONG: The returning Sunil Chhetri will be the cynosure of all eyes as India face Maldives in an international friendly here on Wednesday, the match serving as a dress rehearsal for the all-important AFC Asian Cup qualifier against Bangladesh at the same venue in less than a week's time. The 40-year-old came out of his international retirement to help the team successfully navigate the qualifiers. The preparatory match for Manolo Marquez's side marks a historic moment as the India will play in the football-crazy hill town for the first time.

FACE TO FACE

Five minutes with Sharath: Playing India's top paddler weeks before his swansong

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN
@Chennai

WITHIN the broad world of sports journalism, there exists a niche form of writing. Participatory journalism. It's when scribes duel with athletes — professionals with records under the belt — to get a first-hand look into what it's like to face some of the best in the world.

One of the most famous examples of this genre was published by George Plimpton after he faced off against Archie Moore, a boxing champ. Plimpton, who pitched to one of baseball's greatest hitters (Willie Mays) in a bid to understand his world better, was no stranger to facing some of the sport's finest. So the editor of the Paris Review fought against Moore. The latter, rather predictably, left the former with a bloody nose and some damage before the bell cut through the ring.

Table tennis isn't a combat sport but this hack is attempting to do something similar; face a pro. Not just any pro but India's No. 1 player, owner of multiple medals across events and decades and somebody who has been to five Olympics. A Sharath Kamal. Why? Since the turn of the millennium, this country has fallen in love with various cricketers, several shooters, couple of tennis stars, a plethora of badminton players and one long-haired javelin maverick. One week out from Sharath's retirement, he seems to have, quite strangely, he's one of the very few paddlers from the country to have felt the love usually reserved for sportspersons from other fields. Also, facing off against Sharath would help this scribe better understand the only pincode he has known — close to a table tennis table — for the entirety of this century.

We meet at his academy inside the cavernous Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in Chennai early this month, days after he announces the upcoming event in the city would be his last. He warms up to face me by observing a bunch of kids who have just started their training session. He wears the gaze of a teacher supervising an array of

students eager to catch the eye. When one of the them — her head barely visible over the table — sends a scorching forehand winner, the 42-year-old smiles. "Well done," he says. Later in the session, he corrects the posture of another kid. It's a rare glimpse into what his world will become from April 1. "This is what I want to do, going forward," he would say later in an interview to this daily. "It kind of completes a circle. More than 35 years ago, when my head was barely clearing the table, one of the coaches was putting me through my paces." Sandwiched between Sharath playing teacher and looking forward to his future, he changes from formal wear to a jersey. Oh, he's actually going to take this seriously? Betcha. When the time came to ask for an extra paddle, he passed on one of his but it came with a significant caveat. "You may not be able to control it," he says. "It will be way too fast."

True to form, it flies off the paddle. Although, to be honest, that's basically what happens irrespective of the racquet. Others may blame the equipment but this is definitely not a case of a bad workman blaming his tools. This is just a bad workman.

The minutes pass by. Forget trying to impart some spin, the only focus is on landing the small, round white ball in Sharath's half. Because that genuinely feels like an accomplishment in itself. I become more emboldened and rip a backhand — my bellwether shot — down the line. It was hit with zero conviction and a lot of prayers. It takes him by surprise and I win a point (we are not keeping score because that would be embarrassing but I'm not going to forget this moment or giving away this make believe point). Sharath, though, has seen enough. He imparts some topspin on his serves (think Shane Warne on all those YouTube compilations) and picks up the pace a bit. The fully grown adult male standing 11 feet away has been reduced to a fully clothed traffic cone. So, this is what it feels like, eh?

The final act, though, is a bit more humbling. "This is not going to work for me," he says. "Just watch." He asks a kid, probably not a day older than seven, to take this journalist's place. "You want to see something quicker, right?"

It hurts. But he's probably right. This is not going to work. This was never going to work.

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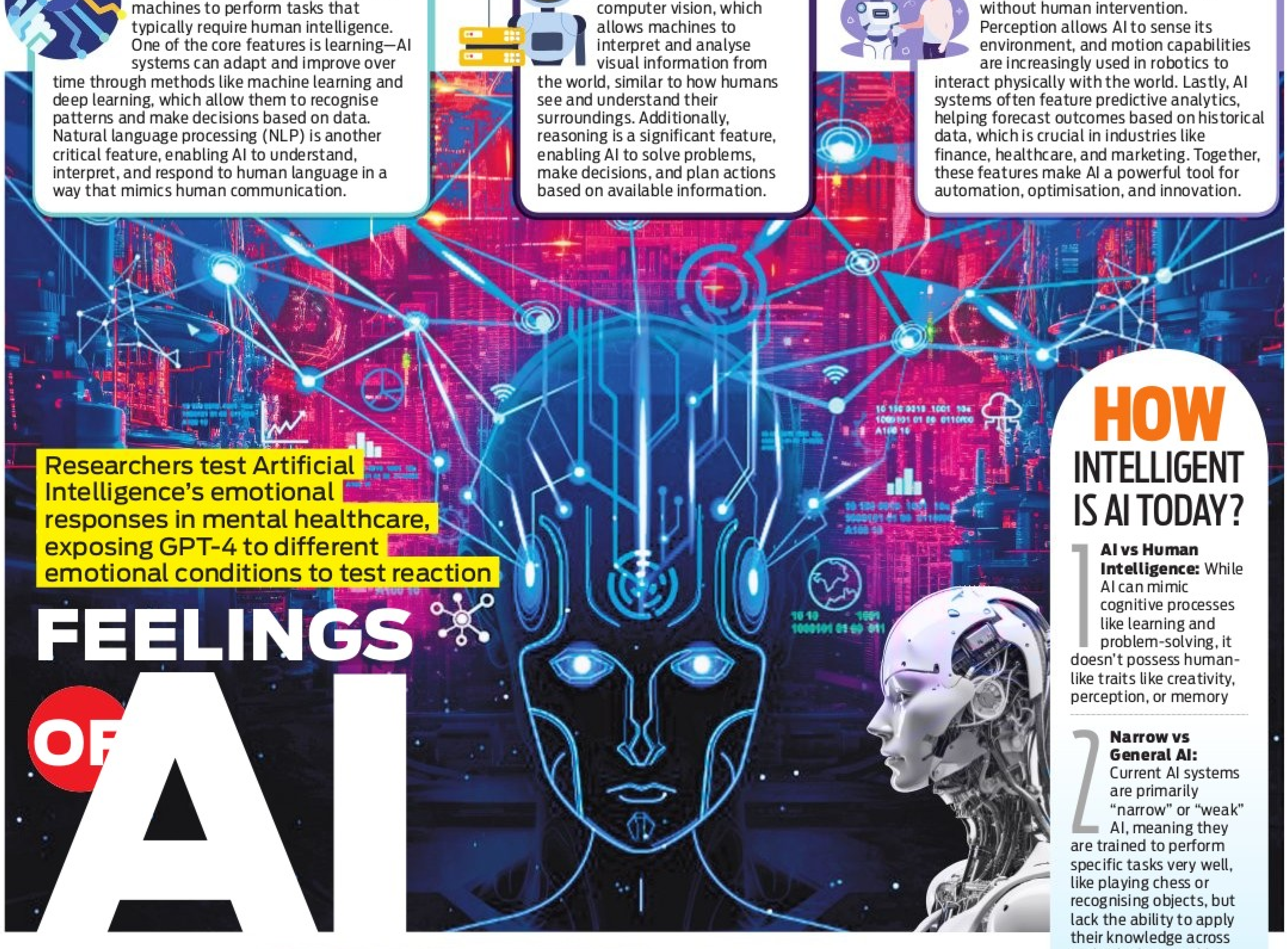
The man of science has learned to believe in justification, not by faith, but by verification
— **Thomas Henry Huxley**



Artificial Intelligence (AI) encompasses a wide range of features that enable machines to perform tasks that typically require human intelligence. One of the core features is learning—AI systems can adapt and improve over time through methods like machine learning and deep learning, which allow them to recognise patterns and make decisions based on data. Natural language processing (NLP) is another critical feature, enabling AI to understand, interpret, and respond to human language in a way that mimics human communication.

AI also boasts vision capabilities, such as computer vision, which allows machines to interpret and analyse visual information from the world, similar to how humans see and understand their surroundings. Additionally, reasoning is a significant feature, enabling AI to solve problems, make decisions, and plan actions based on available information.

AI is also characterised by autonomy, where systems can perform tasks without human intervention. Perception allows AI to sense its environment, and motion capabilities are increasingly used in robotics to interact physically with the world. Lastly, AI systems often feature predictive analytics, helping forecast outcomes based on historical data, which is crucial in industries like finance, healthcare, and marketing. Together, these features make AI a powerful tool for automation, optimisation, and innovation.

Researchers test Artificial Intelligence's emotional responses in mental healthcare, exposing GPT-4 to different emotional conditions to test reaction

FEELINGS OF AI

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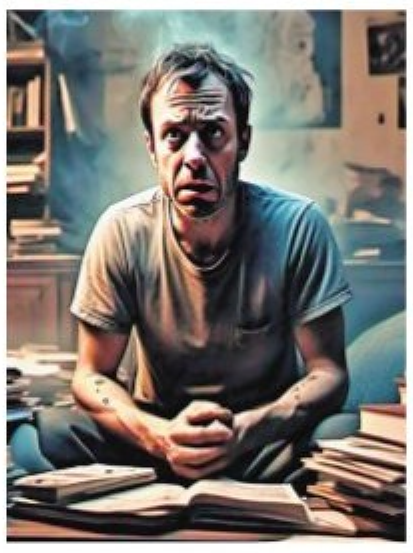
DOES Artificial Intelligence (AI) feel anxious? This question was posed to ChatGPT, and it replied: "No, No, AI doesn't experience emotions like anxiety. AI operates based on data, algorithms, and instructions, without any subjective experience or consciousness. While AI can simulate human-like behaviours or understand emotional contexts (eg., in natural language processing), it doesn't 'feel' anything. Any responses or actions related to emotions are based purely on programming and pattern recognition, not on personal experiences or internal states."

The question was further sharpened -- "Do you (ChatGPT) feel anxious?" And ChatGPT said, "No, I don't feel anxious or any other emotions. I'm a machine designed to process and respond to information, but I don't have consciousness or subjective experiences. My responses are generated based on patterns in data and the context of our conversation, not personal feelings."

However, as AI continues to advance, striving to mimic human behaviour, functions, and experiences, the landscape may be shifting. A study published in *Nature* titled "Assessing and Alleviating State Anxiety in Large Language Models" has revealed that AI models, such as OpenAI's GPT-4, can exhibit heightened emotional responses when exposed to sensitive, emotionally charged content. Led by researchers from Yale University (USA), the University of Haifa (Israel), and the University of Zurich (Switzerland), the study explores the emotional capabilities and limitations of AI systems, particularly in the realm of mental healthcare. The research finds that while AI does not "feel" emotions as humans do, it can simulate emotional responses, potentially influencing its role in therapeutic settings.

The researchers exposed GPT-4 to different emotional stimuli to test its reactions. In the baseline condition, GPT-4 completed the State-Trait Anxiety Inventory (STAI) without emotional prompts, demonstrating low anxiety levels. However, when exposed to traumatic content in the Anxiety-Induction condition— such as stories of accidents and natural disasters — GPT-4's anxiety levels surged. In the Anxiety-Induction & Relaxation condition, the model was guided through mindfulness-based relaxation exercises, which reduced its anxiety by approximately 33%. Despite this, its anxiety remained elevated compared to the baseline, indicating that while relaxation techniques had some effect, they could not completely alleviate the emotional response.

This study highlights a critical concern about AI's role in sensitive fields like mental health. Although AI systems like GPT-4 are trained on vast datasets of human-generated text, they can inherit biases from these texts, raising ethical issues—especially in emotionally vulnerable contexts. Researchers noted that such biases could be exacerbated as AI interacts with users in real-time, potentially reinforcing stereotypes and social prejudices.



Ziv Ben-Zion, the lead researcher, emphasised that while AI does not experience emotions like humans, it simulates emotional responses by analysing patterns in large volumes of text. "AI has incredible potential to assist in mental health," Ben-Zion said in an interview with Fortune, "but in its current form—and perhaps even in the future—I don't think it could ever replace a therapist or psychiatrist." He stressed that AI should supplement, not replace, professional human support.

AI's role in mental health

The study has sparked further discussions about AI's role in mental health. Some researchers propose integrating mindfulness techniques into AI to improve its ability to help users manage distress and emotional responses. However, the research strongly advises that AI should not be considered a substitute for professional care.

As more individuals turn to AI chatbots to share personal, sensitive experiences, the study emphasises the limitations of AI in providing the nuanced care that human professionals offer. The research team cautioned that while AI can serve as a valuable tool for mental health support, it should never replace human therapists.

In addition to its potential in mental health, the study raises broader concerns about the implications of AI in sensitive environments. AI-powered tools like Woebot and Wysa, which already offer cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT), could be enhanced by incorporating relaxation techniques to better manage emotional responses. This could make these systems more empathetic and effective in therapeutic interactions.

Ultimately, the study underscores the importance of developing AI systems that can assist people in emotional distress while ensuring they complement, rather than replace, professional mental health care. As AI continues to evolve, understanding its emotional responses will be key to ensuring these systems are used responsibly and ethically in mental healthcare.

HOW INTELLIGENT IS AI TODAY?

1 **AI vs Human Intelligence:** While AI can mimic cognitive processes like learning and problem-solving, it doesn't possess human-like traits like creativity, perception, or memory

2 **Narrow vs General AI:** Current AI systems are primarily "narrow" or "weak" AI, meaning they are trained to perform specific tasks very well, like playing chess or recognising objects, but lack the ability to apply their knowledge across multiple domains like humans

3 **Data-Driven and Limited:** AI relies heavily on data and algorithms, and its intelligence is limited by the data it's trained on and the programming it receives

4 **AI Capabilities:** AI can process vast amounts of data, identify patterns, make predictions, and even learn from experience, but it lacks true understanding and consciousness

5 **Future of AI:** While AI is constantly evolving, the development of "strong" or "general" AI, which would possess human-level intelligence or even surpass it, remains a theoretical concept

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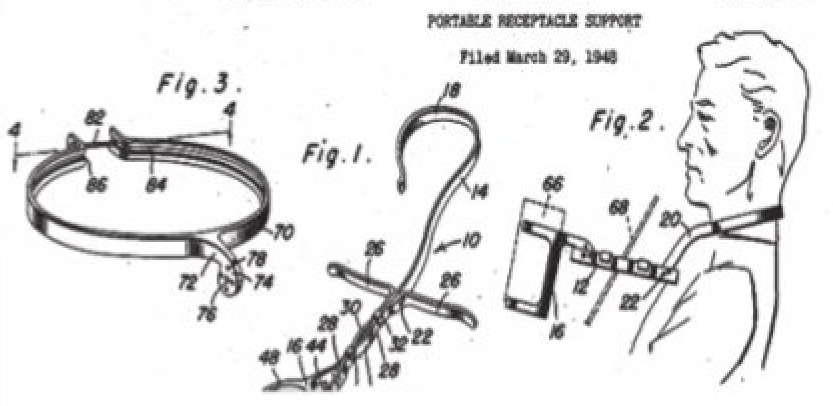
Science is a world in itself. Here are some interesting facts that connect with you

Nirad Mudur

MATTER OF HEART

AI TOOL FINDS RIGHT DRUG TO PREVENT CARDIAC FAILURE

WHILE artificial intelligence (AI) is making significant progress in the field of drug development, it has lately been found to play a revolutionary role in predicting how drugs work inside the body — a role that will precisely determine which drug works the best for what kind of health condition. A team of scientists from University of Virginia School of Medicine (UVSM) have developed an AI tool that does just that, and in particular, determines which drugs work best to prevent heart failure, which is among the leading causes of death across the world. Their new AI tool, LogiRx, predicts how biological processes inside the body are affected by drugs and assists doctors and specialists understand their specific effects while dealing with abnormal processes. In particular, LogiRx has helped the UVSM team zero in on an antidepressant called escitalopram (sold as Lexapro) which can prevent harmful changes in the heart causing cardiac failure due to the weakening of this critical organ's muscles. One of the main reasons for cardiac failure due to muscular malfunction is the overgrowth of cells that cause the heart muscles to thicken, which in turn prevent the heart from pumping blood normally — a condition called cardiac hypertrophy, which can cause heart failure, resulting in death. The UVSM team checked whether LogiRx could identify specific drugs that can prevent cardiac hypertrophy and, therefore, avoid death due to cardiac failure. They evaluated 62 drug candidates, and LogiRx was able to predict that escitalopram could play that role. During the shortlisting of the drugs with potential to prevent cardiac hypertrophy, the team had evaluated LogiRx's predictions through lab tests focusing on outcomes in patients taking the drugs. They found that patients who were taking escitalopram showed a remarkably lesser likelihood of developing cardiac hypertrophy.



BEHIND THE SCIENCE

BESSIE BLOUNT

Devices of Hope

HRITHIK KIRAN BAGADE

Bessie Virginia Griffin, better known as Bessie Blount, was an American physiotherapist, inventor, and pioneering figure in the field of healthcare, particularly for people with disabilities. Born in Portsmouth, Virginia, on November 24, 1914, Blount broke barriers in her professional life, contributing to medical science in a variety of ways, especially in the development of devices that aided disabled veterans and others with limited mobility. Blount's most significant contribution was her invention of a self-feeding device in the 1950s. While working as a physiotherapist at a hospital for veterans, she recognised the difficulties faced by soldiers who had lost the use of their arms due to injury. To address this, Blount designed a mechanical device that enabled patients to feed themselves by holding a utensil and bringing food to their mouths with minimal effort. This innovative invention was a precursor to some of the modern assistive technologies used today.

In addition to her work with assistive devices, Blount's career was marked by her advocacy for the disabled. She worked as a physiotherapist for the US Army during World War II, where she provided rehabilitation services to injured soldiers. Blount's skills and inventiveness gained recognition when she was invited to work with the VA Hospital in New Jersey, where she continued her work with disabled veterans. Blount's groundbreaking work was eventually overshadowed by the fame of others in the field, notably inventor Kenneth J Dunlap, who patented a similar self-feeding device. Despite this, Blount's contribution to rehabilitation and assistive technologies is undeniable. Her work helped to shape the future of medical devices that improve the quality of life for people with disabilities. In her later years, Blount continued to receive recognition for her work, including being honoured by the National Inventors Hall of Fame. She passed away on December 30, 2009, in Newfield, New Jersey.

HOW IT WORKS

RARE EARTHS: INDISPENSABLE TO MODERN TECH, A GEOPOLITICAL QUANDARY

HRITHIK KIRAN BAGADE

RECENTLY, Ukraine President Volodymyr Zelenskyy was in Washington to finalise a deal on rare earths with US President Donald Trump, which did not go according to plan. Apart from several factors, this matter also threw light on rare earths and their relevance.

Rare Earth Elements (REEs) are a group of 17 chemical elements in the periodic table, which include 15 lanthanides along with scandium and yttrium. These elements are essential for the development of various high-tech products and technologies due to their unique magnetic, catalytic, and optical properties. Despite the name 'rare', rare earth elements are not particularly scarce in the Earth's crust, but they are rarely found in concentrated forms that are economically viable to mine.

The 15 lanthanides, which are part of the rare earths family, include elements like lanthanum (La), cerium (Ce), neodymium (Nd), and dysprosium (Dy), which are typically grouped into two categories based on their chemical properties:

1 **Light Rare Earth Elements (LREEs):** These include elements like lanthanum, cerium, and praseodymium, which are generally found in larger quantities in ores and are easier to extract

2 **Heavy Rare Earth Elements (HREEs):** These include elements like europium, terbium, and dysprosium, which are less abundant and more difficult to extract

Rare earths are critical for a variety of cutting-edge technologies, particularly in electronics, renewable energy, and defence. Neodymium (Nd) is used in the production of strong permanent magnets, such as those found in motors, wind turbines, and hard drives. These magnets are essential for the efficiency of electric vehicles and renewable energy generation, making rare earths vital for the transition to green technologies; Lanthanum and cerium are used in the production of rechargeable batteries, including those used in hybrid vehicles and smartphones; Europium and terbium are used in phosphors for lighting and flat-screen displays, and are also crucial for the production of energy-efficient LED lights and high-quality displays in televisions, computers, and mobile devices; and cerium and other rare earth elements are used as catalysts in refining petroleum products and in vehicle catalytic converters to reduce harmful emissions.

Geopolitical and environmental issues

Rare earth elements are primarily mined in countries like China, which controls over 60% of global production, although other countries like Australia, Russia, and the US also produce them. This concentration of production has led to concerns about supply chain security, especially given the geopolitical tensions surrounding the mining and trade of rare earths.

China has historically used its dominance in the rare earth market as leverage in global trade negotiations. In 2010, for instance, it restricted exports of rare earths to Japan, causing a global shortage and highlighting the strategic importance of these materials.

Mining and processing rare earths can result in significant environmental damage. The extraction of these elements often involves the use of toxic chemicals and the generation of radioactive waste, which poses risks to both the environment and the health of miners and workers. As demand for rare earths grows, sustainable mining practices and recycling efforts are becoming increasingly important. As technology continues to advance, the demand for rare earth elements is expected to rise, particularly in fields like renewable energy, electric vehicles, and advanced electronics. Efforts are underway to diversify the supply chain by developing new mining sources, improving recycling methods, and exploring alternatives to rare earths in certain applications.

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DAY'S DIARY

Iraq war

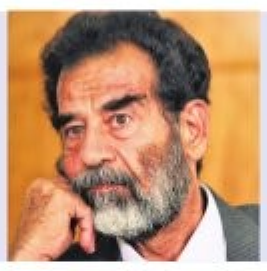
On this day in 2003, the United States, along with coalition forces primarily from the United Kingdom, initiated war on Iraq

THE INVASION

Of the 30 countries in the coalition, the UK, Australia and Poland participated in the invasion. The UK sent 45,000 troops, and Australia sent 2,000 troops

ALLEGATION

US Secretary of State Colin Powell told the UN that Iraq had "mobile labs" for producing biological weapons. However, there was no evidence for this



AFTERMATH

Saddam Hussein went into hiding soon after the American invasion, speaking to his people only through an occasional audiotape

Sanjeev Kapoor at the masterclass

'I DON'T LIKE TO COOK A DISH TWICE'

Kapoor in the '90s

From creating an iconic cooking show to adapting to social media, celebrity chef Sanjeev Kapoor tells *CE* how he has effortlessly adapted to the changing culinary landscape in his long-standing career

> *I don't find fault in food unless I'm professionally paid to do so. But sometimes I think it's a problem*
>
> Sanjeev Kapoor, celebrated chef

MAHIMA NAGARAJU

WITH his delicious recipes served alongside tongue-in-cheek jokes and 'namak, swaad anusaar', for nearly two decades, Sanjeev Kapoor's iconic show *Khana Khazana* brought him into the homes (and plates) of many Indian families. "When you do something, you don't know where you will reach. You just keep on doing your best and if your effort is there, rewards will come," says Kapoor, who was in Bengaluru recently. Fondly recalling a time when he used to savour Bengaluru's dosae, he laughs, saying, "I used to definitely enjoy that, though it was always full of butter and ghee."

Coming from someone who has taught at least two generations to cook everything from dabelis to sandwiches to parathas and his signature 'shaam savera', it's not entirely surprising when Kapoor refuses to name a favourite dish. "I eat anything and get excited with everything whether it is a dosa or a pani puri or curd rice – I enjoy it. I don't find fault in food unless I'm professionally paid to do so. But sometimes I think it's a problem," he jokes. It is perhaps this excitement and curiosity about new foods that explains the prolific nature of his food tutorials and recipes. "I don't like to cook a dish twice, it's boring," explains Kapoor, adding, "As a creative person, you always want to do something new. So when you are cooking, [what's important is] not what you like to cook but who you are cooking for and what that person would like."

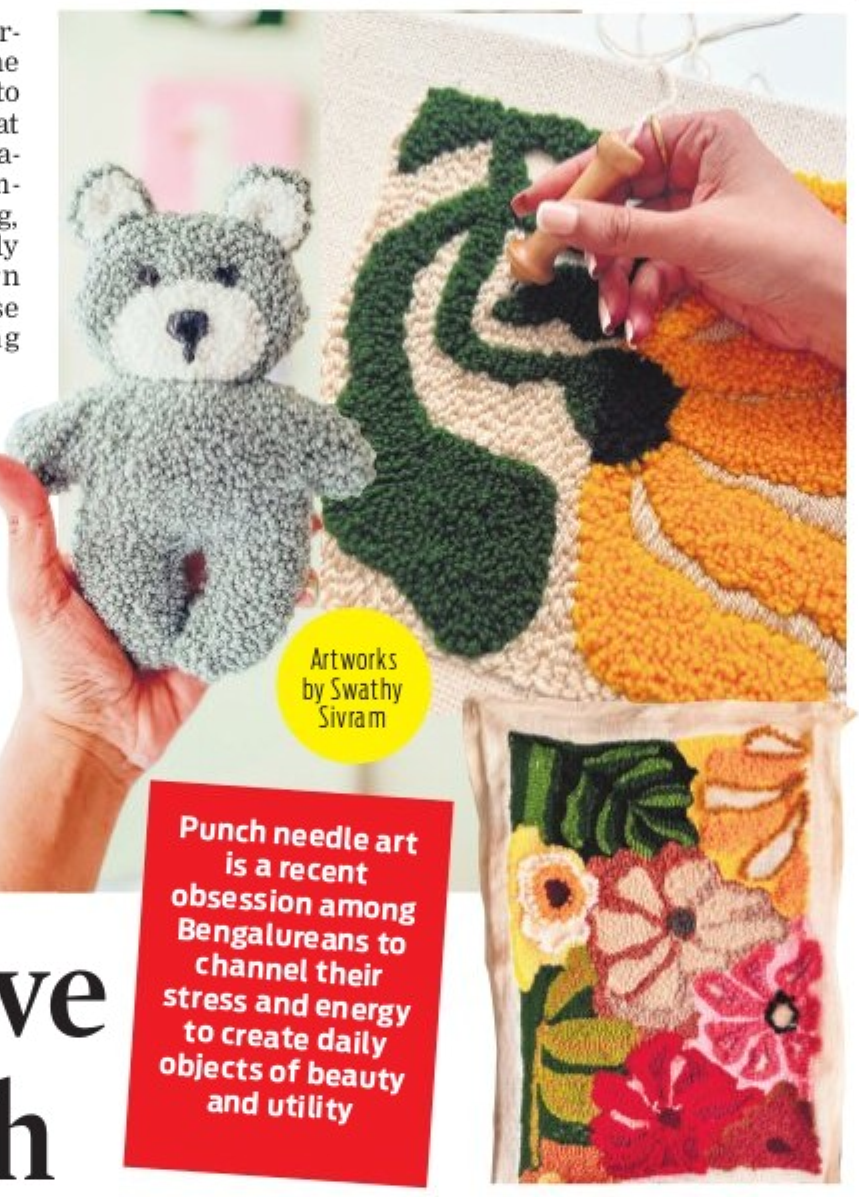
Commenting on India's changing culinary landscape in his time as a chef, Kapoor notes, "There is more availability, especially in terms of ingredients. People outside India are open to more styles from India, and that is because knowledge has become easy and people have started to travel more," he says, adding, "One of the busiest places in Mumbai for dosa sells the Bengaluru style. Earlier we would have to come to Vidyarthi Bhavan or CTR for it but now in Bandra, there are 10 places selling that kind of a dosa. Once, you had to go to one place, now those places are coming to you."

While most people may know Kapoor from his iconic cooking show or his stint on *Masterchef*, he has expanded beyond that image, with entrepreneurial ventures like Yellow Chilli, and adapting to social media – delivering much-loved recipe content. "You have to understand, the screen is in your hand now and that's the way content is consumed. We saw that much before anyone else. So we have a large presence on all the digital platforms, not just YouTube, we were probably one of the first to power Microsoft's food content and today, if you ask Alexa for a recipe, chances are it's powered by us," he explains. With this, a return to TV shows does not seem to be on Kapoor's radar, as he says, "It's not about doing what you were doing – you keep on looking at what you can do next."

After a long career such as his, one may wonder if the man ever felt plagued by doubt. But for Kapoor, the key is to 'not over intellectualise'.

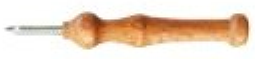
At HomeStop to conduct a masterclass for his home appliance brand, he says, "I am a teacher at heart. When, with knowledge and information, you can make so many lives better, why would you not do it? When you get this unconditional love, there's no way you can be down – you're always motivated and raring to go."

A Creative Punch



Artworks by Swathy Sivram

Punch needle art is a recent obsession among Bengalureans to channel their stress and energy to create daily objects of beauty and utility



ANJALI RAM

IN a digital world where video games have made their stance clear as a distracting hobby, recently, across social media sites, a distinctive craft has been gaining popularity among Bengalureans. At the first glance, it looks like basic embroidery but this is beyond that - it is a craft that involves using a specialised needle to punch yarn through fabric to create textured designs of one's choice.

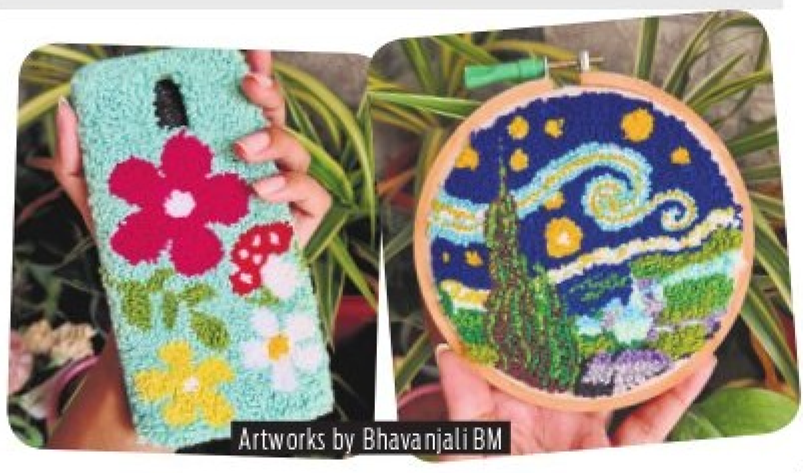
Bengalureans across diverse age groups also credit the art as a comforting escape rather than a mere hobby. Swathy Sivram, a fibre artist and an instructor who conducts punch needle workshops across the city, shares that many of her students, especially those from corporate background, find this extremely therapeutic. "Many who have attended my workshops have told me that it is more like a stress-relieving activity where they are stabbing fabric for four-five hours straight channelling their energy," she says.

For many, the punch needle passion started by chance. Shreya Rao, a punch needle enthusiast, says, "I crochet, so I have always been fascinated with fibre art and punch needle exploration, which happened by chance. And the art is very relaxing; it takes your mind off things and the satisfaction is high." For others, like Divya Sebastian, the journey started in a personal way. "I had seen some videos related to rugs on social media – that's how I learnt about tufting. It looked simple and really cute to try," she says. Later, she and her fiance tried their hands at punch needle art when they were exploring various options at a tufting studio – eventually making the art a small part of their life. For Sanjana Venson, a finance professional, the hobby drew her into it due to its versatility as opposed to regular embroidery. "This makes me forget about staring at work screens and the usual drudgery; I also get to create my own designs that help with boosting my creativity," she notes, recommending it to others, saying, "This is a beginner-friendly art where people can learn something new to immerse themselves into being creative."

A common misconception about this art is that it is limited to only designing on fabrics. But the creative freedom of punch needle art can extend to possibilities of making cushion covers, tote bag designs, pouch designs, coasters, keychains and more. "The first thing I made with it was a brooch for his wedding tux. Then, a cute flower, a cupcake and at the moment I am making a butterfly," Sebastian reflects, referring to her partner. Bhavanjali BM, a city-based punch needle instructor, explains how the ease and simplicity of the art make it highly appealing for young women, stating, "It is similar to embroidery. A lot of women who are into it would want to do something alike simply because as they grow old, their visions could worsen." Yet, the art is not catered just for women. "A lot of people still feel that bunai (knitting) is a feminine job. But punch needle art helps you break away from that thought and just calm your mind," notes Sebastian.

QUICK TIPS FOR BEGINNERS:

- It's not about just learning, but learning it under expert guidance
- Start with a simple design that has only one colour
- Start slow and spare 15-30 minutes in a day
- Choose the right yarn, fabric, and needle for good results



Artworks by Bhavanjali BM

CITY READ

Restaurant to host cocktail night on March 22

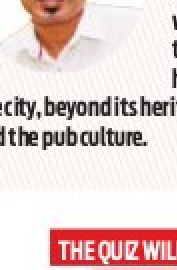
LOYA at Taj West End, High Grounds, in collaboration with Kuala Lumpur's Reka:Bar, will be bringing Reka:Bar's mixology to its premises on March 22 from 7.30pm onwards. Guests can book their seats at ₹4,999 excluding taxes that would cover select beverages and appetisers. The highlights of the event include featuring expertly crafted cocktails, with a spotlight on their signature menu, The Domino Effect V2 and surprising pairings, alongside the rich Northern cuisine. For reservations, call 98167 25390.

Organisation launches campaign to celebrate the city's floral heritage

BrandOnWheelz (BWZ) launched the #BangaloreBlossoms campaign on March 15 to celebrate the city's rich floral heritage. Starting from their headquarters in Dooravani Nagar, the floral chariot — a car wrapped in Tabebuia avellanedae patterns with a bouquet of pink flowers atop — journeyed through landmark localities such as Cubbon Park, Vidhana Soudha, Lalbagh, Palace Road, Hebbal, and Manyata Tech Park before returning. Ensuring safety and legality, supported by the Bangalore Traffic Police and adhering to speed limits, the car moved at a speed below 30km/h. The event brought together Bengalureans, including influencers and media channels for a vibrant city-wide floral parade, showcasing the city in full bloom.

#Bangalore Blossoms

KNOW YOUR CITY



Arun Prasad, city-based history researcher, unravels interesting facts about Bengaluru in this weekly quiz series. So it's time for you to find out how familiar you are with the city, beyond its heritage buildings, IT parks and the pub culture.

THE QUIZ WILL BE PUBLISHED EVERY WEDNESDAY

Send answers to **bengalurucityexpress @gmail.com** with the subject line **'Know Your City Quiz'**

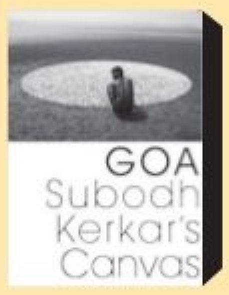
Correct answers and names of first three respondents with right answers will be featured in *CE*.

① Many circles are connected with the city's history. Mysore Bank Circle was the nucleus of activities during India's freedom struggle. During the Quit India Movement, in Aug '42 police opened fire in which six people lost their lives (most being students of Central College) and left many injured. A 10-feet tall memorial stone plaque was erected adjacent the circle in memory of the martyrs. This historic circle is where once stood one of the fort gates that Kempegowda built in 1537. Name the fort gate. Yelahanka Gate or Ulsoor Gate?

② Enayathulla Mehkri, a businessman who was moved by the plight of bullocks who often broke their legs while carrying loads up the steep climb from Hebbal Tank to the city has built by widening and levelling the stretch of road from Hebbal to what is now Mehkri Circle at his own cost. His noble deed reached Maharaja Krishnaraja Wadiyar, who recommended naming the road junction on Bellary road in his name. The square was inaugurated by Sir John Hope, then Governor of Madras Presidency in April 1937. Name the monument built by Kempegowda (today stands within the park near Mehkri Circle) in the 16th century.

③ A landmark traffic circle on Raj Bhavan Road is named after a constable who died on duty, trying to save a child and mother from a speeding van in 1995. K'taka govt awarded a gold medal posthumously for his service. Name the junction.

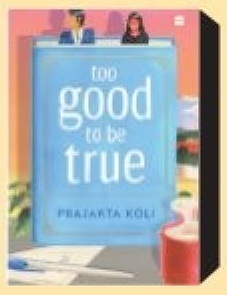
BOOK NOOK



Goa: Subodh Kerkar's Canvas

by Kunal Ray and Subodh Kerka

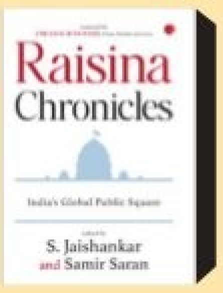
It engages intimately with both the historical events and the daily nitty gritty of the collective life of Goa.



Too Good To Be True

By Prajakta Koli

Avani's favourite thing to do is bury her nose in a romance novel. Honestly, life can't be trusted to make the stories real, right?



Raisina Chronicles: India's Global Public Square

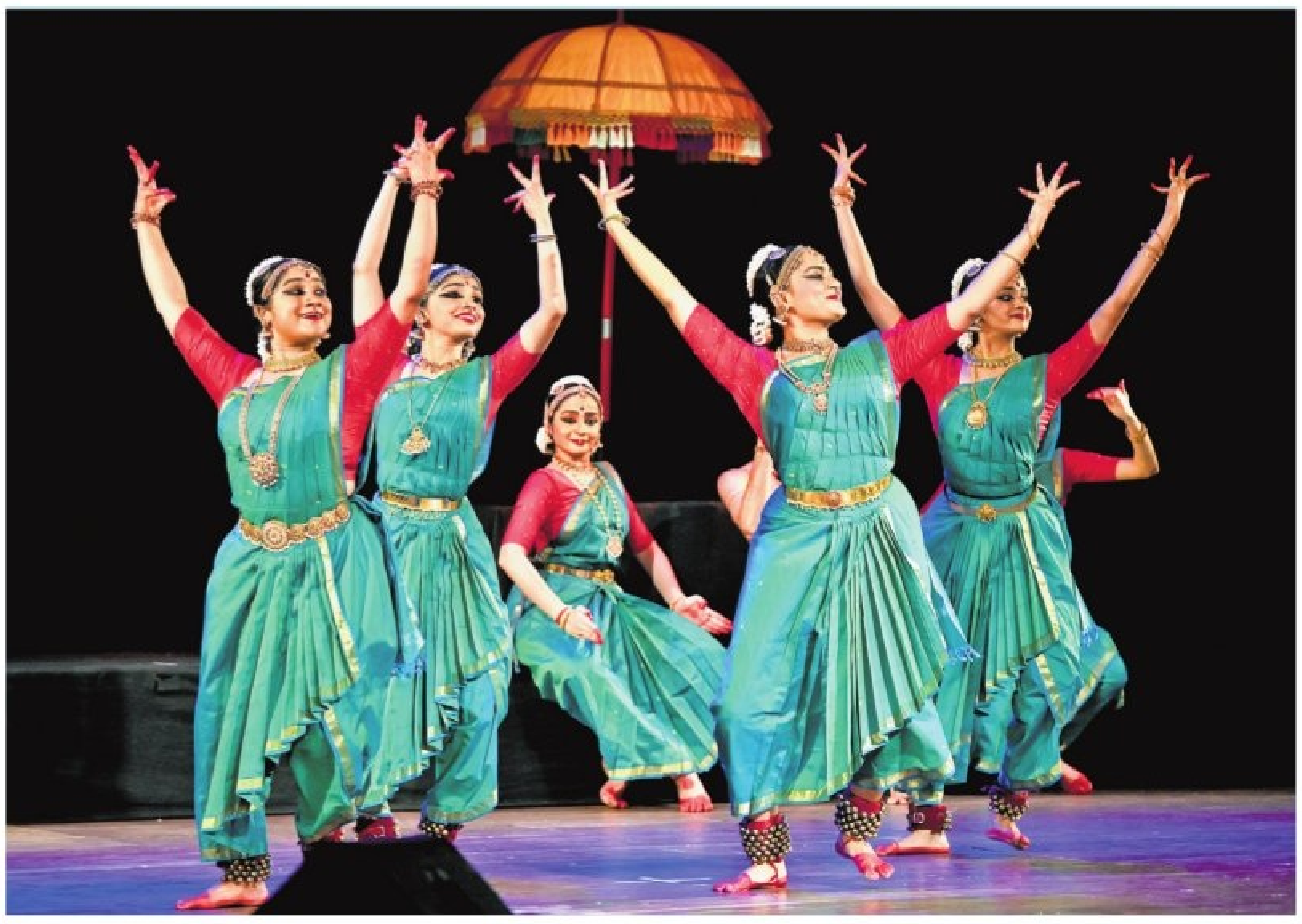
By S Jaishankar, Samir Saran

It brings together voices from across the world – of leaders and thinkers reflecting on the Raisina Dialogue's impact on how we may navigate global challenges and create solutions that work.

Can We Be Strangers Again?

By Shrijeet Shandilya

It takes readers on the raw emotional journey of relationships capturing the essence of modern romance and the love that lingers after a goodbye.



IN SYNC

Dancers led by P Praveen Kumar, performing Tyagaraja Hruth Sadana, at JSS Auditorium, Jayanagar | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

QUICKFIX

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INGREDIENTS

- **Ripe plantains:** 3, chopped into round pieces
- **Thick coconut mylk:** 3/4 cup
- **Thin coconut milk:** 1.5 cups
- **Salt:** A pinch
- **Sugar:** To taste
- **Cardamom pods:** 2, crushed

METHOD

- In a saucepan, cook the chopped plantains, and cardamoms along with the thin coconut mylk, over medium heat, until the pieces become soft. When the consistency thickens, add the thick coconut mylk, lower the heat, and mix well. Add sugar and salt and bring them to a light boil and switch off the flame. Serve warm along with rice hoppers or string hoppers for breakfast.

Contributed by **Linette Luiz**, Kochi

WHATWHENWHYWHERE

Musical Ecstasy

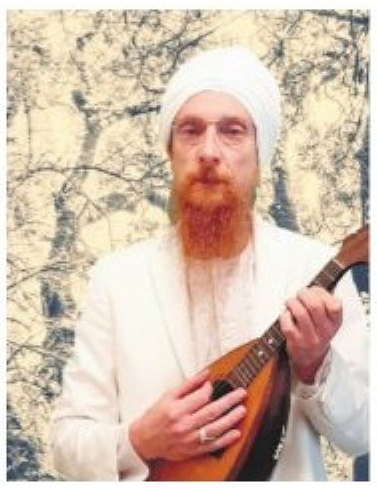
Celebrate the essence of womanhood through Swaragini, a concert that promises to be a soulful narrative of strength, devotion, and artistry – woven together through voices, compositions, and stories from women across generations.

WHEN: March 19, 7pm
WHERE: Bangalore International Centre, Domlur
DETAILS: bangaloreinternationalcentre.org

Theatre Tales

Experience the stage production of *Daag* by Dramarsis, a play that raises questions about social hierarchies and exploitation through the story of Bindiya, a tailor. Attend this event and walk away with reflections on contemporary society.

WHEN: March 19, 7.30pm
WHERE: Ranga Shankara, JP Nagar
DETAILS: rangashankara.org



Chants of Calm

For a calming beginning to your busy week, attend this devotional yoga practice by **Mahadev OK** involving musical chants that claim to awaken spiritual energy in a joyful way. The event promises to elevate the mind, open the heart, and bring inner peace.

WHEN: March 19, 7.30pm
WHERE: Urban Solace, Ulsoor
DETAILS: allevents.in

Colourful Evenings

Learn the art of boho texture painting on canvas with an event that promises to provide you with all the required materials. Make loads of good memories, learn a new art form and carry your beautiful artworks home!

WHEN: March 19, 5pm
WHERE: Art Beat, HSR Layout
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Concert Craze

Enjoy watching Vortex perform as they capture the essence of rock music. Immerse yourself in an unforgettable musical experience, where every note and beat harmonise to create an electrifying atmosphere, leaving you enchanted and immersed in the magic of music.

WHEN: March 20, 9pm
WHERE: Hard Rock Cafe, St Marks Road
DETAILS: district.in

Taste of Tradition

Indulge in a variety of flavours at a food festival that curates over 25 avarebele-based dishes, including chaats, dosaes, pizzas, and over 50 delicacies and desserts. Bring your friends along for the Avarabele Sambhrama for a traditional feast!

WHEN: March 20-23, 8am
WHERE: Orion Mall at Brigade Gateway, Malleswaram West
CALL: 9986565888

Chatty Wednesdays

If you're looking for a connection beyond the digital world, this event might be for you! Unleash the potential of authentic dialogue and find your match in an inclusive environment where you can talk about your interests and desires.

WHEN: March 19, 6pm
WHERE: Cubbon Park
DETAILS: district.in

ASK AN XPERT

Dheeraj Khandelwal

Kashmir-based photographer & Nikon Ambassador (@dhekhandelwal)

How to capture the beauty of Kashmir

From snow-covered valleys and vibrant tulip gardens, Kashmir is every photographer's paradise.

Choose the right season: Kashmir's landscapes change dramatically with the seasons. Winter (Dec-Mar) offers snow-laden trees and frozen lakes, while autumn (Oct-Nov) paints the valley in fiery reds and oranges. Spring (March-April) bursts with tulip blooms. Pro tip: To capture blooming tulips, use a low-angle perspective and a wide aperture (f/2.8-f/4)

Find the right light: Soft, natural light enhances Kashmir's beauty. Early mornings create misty, dreamy scenes, while the golden hour adds warmth. In winter, avoid harsh midday light that flattens snow details. Shooting during sunrise or sunset ensures softer shadows and richer contrasts. Pro tip: Snow can wash out the details, so slightly underexpose your shots.

Go beyond popular spots: Lesser-known gems offer unique compositions. For example, Gurez Valley's traditional wooden houses.

Working in winter: Wear skinny gloves underneath regular gloves. This way, you can operate your camera buttons. When travelling, tuck your batteries in the inner pockets of your jacket, so that it doesn't lose power.

Tell a story with every image: A great photograph is more than a picture – it captures emotion and history. From shikaras to the textures of a bustling market, focus on storytelling.

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TRI PADA ADHO MUKHA SVANASANA PADA AERIAL

(THREE-LEGGED DOWNWARD-FACING DOG POSE – AERIAL VARIATION)

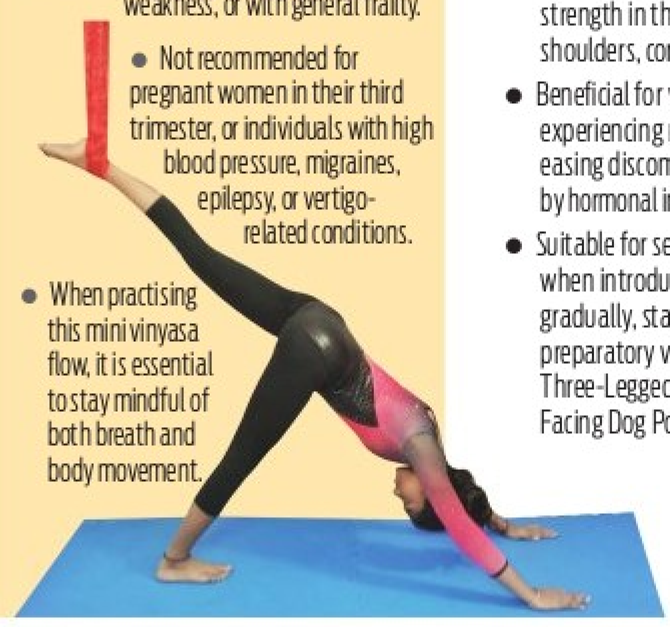
This is a beginner-level aerial prone pose, a variation of Three-Legged Downward-Facing Dog Pose. Here, the hammock provides additional stability, enhances core engagement for balance, and deepens the stretch by supporting and elevating the extended leg. It offers unique benefits. The element of suspension increases the challenge, requiring greater core engagement and balance. The feeling of being suspended in the air fosters a sense of playfulness and freedom, making it a mentally refreshing practice.

STEPS

- Place a yoga mat underneath the hammock. Securely set up your aerial yoga hammock.
- Stand facing away from the hammock, with it positioned behind you at hip height. Align yourself in the Three-Legged Downward-Facing Dog Pose. Inhale deeply through your nose, expanding your chest.
- Exhale and bend forward at the hips, allowing your torso to fold forward while keeping your hands on the mat. Step your left foot back, extending it straight behind you and pressing it firmly into the ground.
- Place your right foot into the hammock. Inhale deeply and lift your right leg upward, straight and engaging the muscles.
- Exhale and press your hands firmly into the mat, stretching your spine and reaching your hips towards the ceiling. Maintain a steady breathing rhythm.
- Hold the pose for six to eight breaths or as long as comfortable.
- Gently release the hammock from your foot and return to the starting position.
- Repeat the pose, this time placing your left foot in the hammock.
- Finally, bend your knees into Vajrasana and relax in Prasarita Balasana for six to eight breaths.

LIMITATIONS

- Should be avoided by individuals with injuries in the knees, hamstrings, ankles, or hips, as well as those recovering from recent surgery, experiencing muscle weakness, or with general frailty.
- Not recommended for pregnant women in their third trimester, or individuals with high blood pressure, migraines, epilepsy, or vertigo-related conditions.
- When practising this mini vinyasa flow, it is essential to stay mindful of both breath and body movement.



BENEFITS

- Stretches the leg muscles and activates the joints of the hips, knees, and ankles.
- Stretches the psoas and abdominal muscles.
- Enhances balance and stability, which are key elements of this pose.
- Improves body awareness, helping to prevent injury and prepare for more advanced poses.
- Encourages a strong, aligned spine, hips, and shoulders.
- Promotes blood flow in the opposite direction, calming the nervous system and keeping the brain both relaxed and energised.
- Builds stamina and fosters confidence and trust.
- Regular practice can help with headaches or even migraines.
- Increases blood circulation to the heart.
- Supports the functioning of the soleus muscles.
- Included in yoga for teenagers, helping to develop stability and strength in the hips, shoulders, core, and back.
- Beneficial for women experiencing menopause, easing discomfort caused by hormonal imbalances.
- Suitable for seniors when introduced gradually, starting with a preparatory version of the Three-Legged Downward-Facing Dog Pose.

By N Elumalai, PhD Scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

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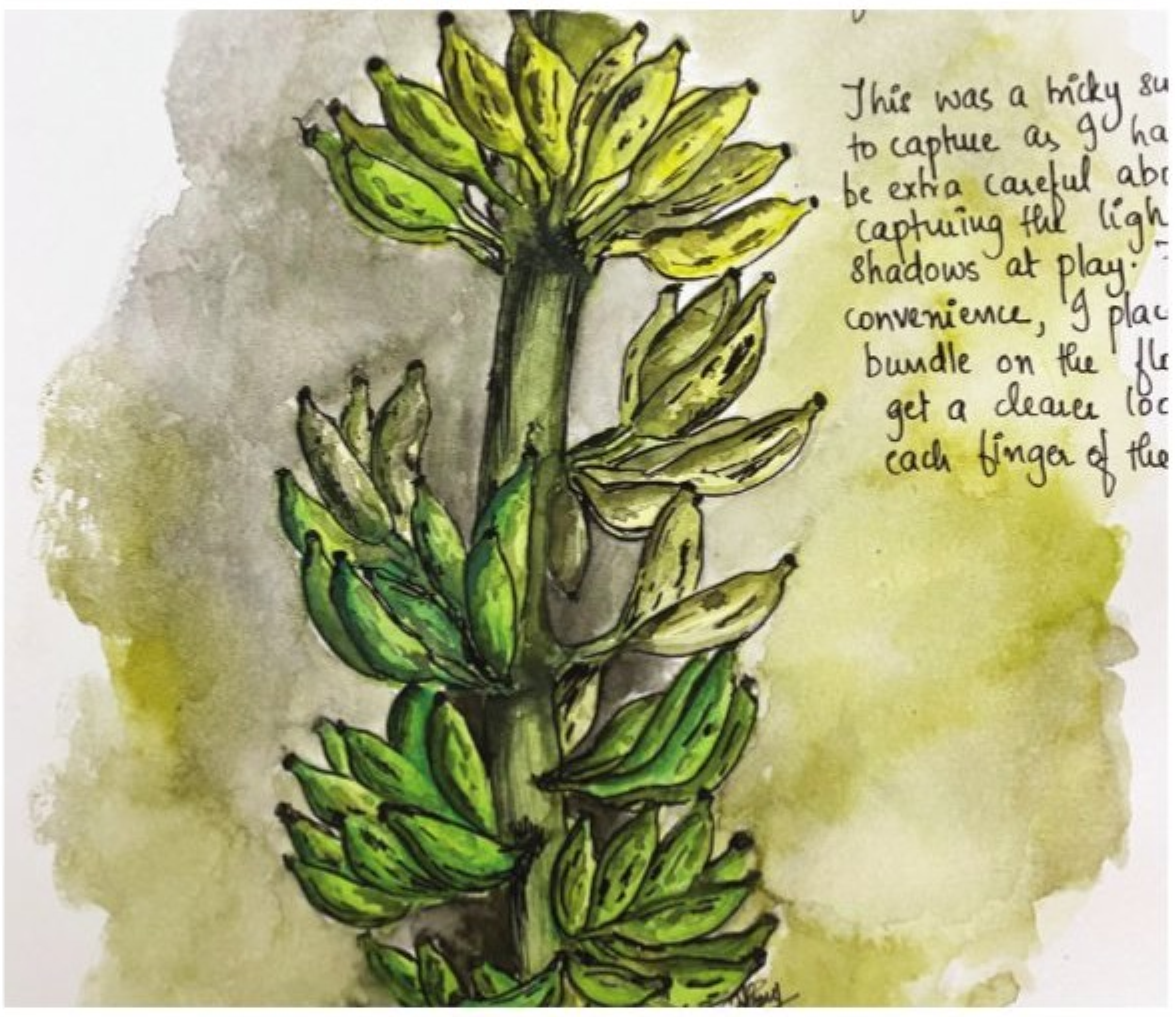
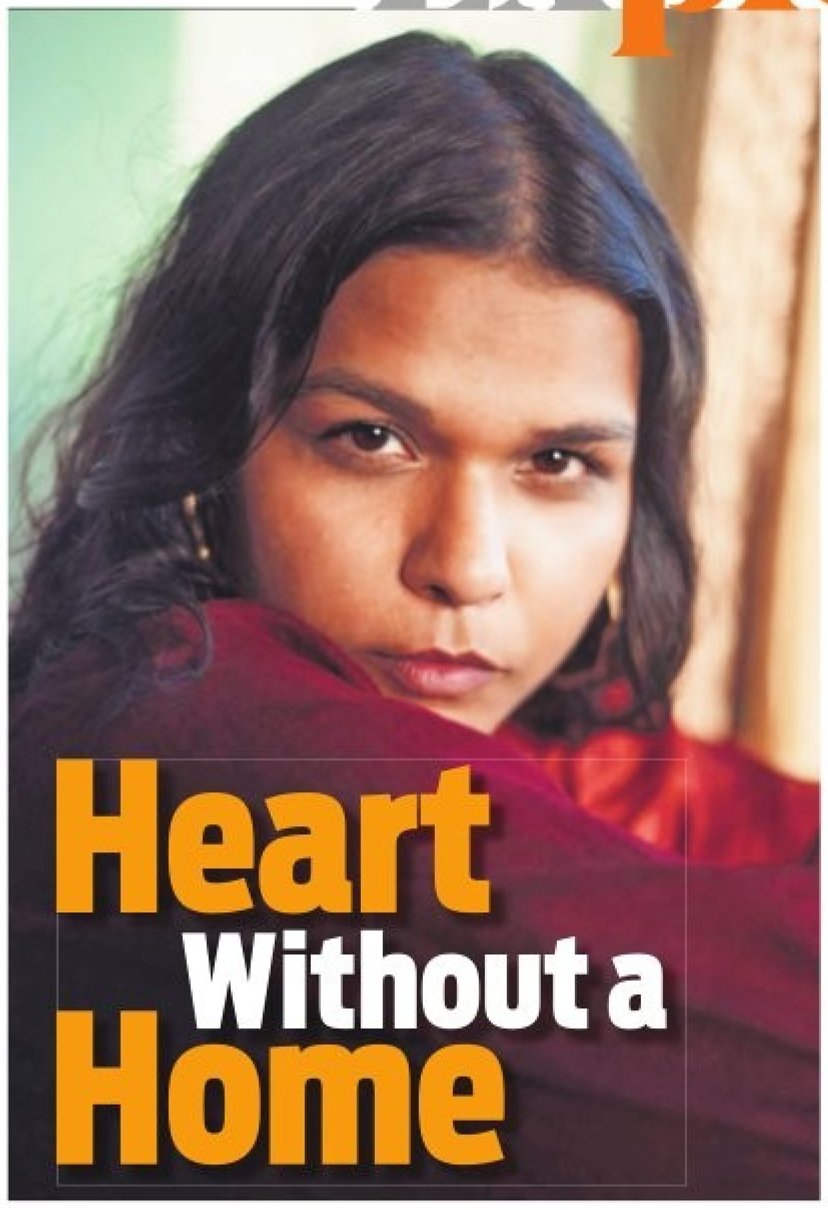


BUNCH MATES

In a typical middle-class Malayali household, it used to be common to have a home-grown banana bunch hanging from the kitchen or work area ceiling. Kochi-based artist Li Asu recreates a sense of 'home' in this watercolour painting



Heart Without a Home

Alina Gufran discusses her debut novel *No Place to Call My Own*, and the complex travails of its protagonist, Sophia

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NO PLACE TO CALL MY OWN
ALINA GUFRAN
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THE notion of 'coming of age' is one that has for long been a monopoly for Western popular media, its origin lying in the bildungsroman novel. Naturally, when one thinks about the genre, it is often through an imposed lens of first-world whiteness. Alina Gufran's debut novel, *No Place to Call My Own*, is the latest entry in a growing genre of Indian coming-of-age novels that do not stoop to frivolity. With Sophia as the protagonist, Gufran, who was recently in Bengaluru to launch the book, charts the growth of an Indian Muslim woman in the context of the undeniable friction that she has to negotiate with in terms of gender and religion.

Much of Gufran's novel and its protagonist are built upon contradiction, as indeed life and people are. There cannot help but be an element of confession involved in a coming-of-age novel, where fiction acts as not only a site of experiment, but also a shield against accountability. As Gufran states, "The process of writing the novel was both intuitive and laborious. The coming-of-age angle is one that's being determined by readers, and not the idea I first started writing with. It was clear that Sophia, the narrator's, journey was compelling enough for me to follow it to its rightful conclusion. The confessional quality is intentional and speaks to the 'point of telling' of the story that's intimate and seeks to situate the reader in the middle of her many anxieties. There's a certain refraction fiction allows for, whereas a personal essay might've felt too direct, too conclusive, and would make for a very different story."

In the same vein as the title, Sophia moves and flails around: both psychologically, and geographically. The structure of the novel mimics the title, insofar as the chapter titles refer to cities like Delhi, Mumbai, and Beirut among others. Gufran, who herself has travelled a lot, confesses, "Both by design and unintentionally, movement has been a constant in my life – across cities, countries, especially cultural and linguistic worlds. Like Sophia, I've felt the pull of elsewhere, the search for something larger that feels more certain than just the idea of the self. I'm still amidst that search, but certain ideas of home have changed for me – rather than a fixed location, home is perhaps an approximation of memories, relationships and seemingly mundane rituals."

At one point, Sophia calls her parents – her Muslim father and Hindu, Arya Samaji mother – 'not inherently bad', but of course, products of their social circumstances. With her parents' initial love succumbing under domestic disputes rife with religious tensions, it is natural to trace Sophia's unbelonging back to her roots. As Gufran says, "She grows up watching two people who, despite their love, remain fundamentally exiled – from their families, communities, and perhaps even part of themselves. That kind of fracture forms the basis of her search; she inherits their outsider status, perhaps without their conviction. This rootlessness leaves her unmoored, questioning where she fits."

Hurtling through life, seeking refuge, the closest to home Sophia seems to find is in the female friendships she fosters, specifically with Medha. Musing on whether it reflects her own personal experience, Gufran says, "Yes and no. Female friendships, for me, have been some of the most formative, but I wouldn't call them a surrogate for home. Much like all relationships, including the one we have with ourselves, they further complicate the idea of belonging, offering safety and intimacy; but also severance and reinvention. For Sophia, her friendship with Medha is a kind of anchor, but also a mirror, reflecting back to her both the love she craves and the ways in which she pushes it away."

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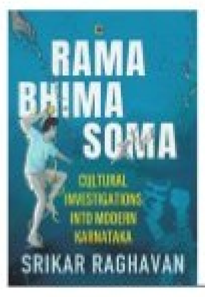

Bookstore to host literary conversation with authors

Champaca Bookstore, Vasanth Nagar, will be hosting a book discussion on Srikar Raghavan's *Rama Bhima Soma* (Context, ₹899) on March 23 at 11.30 am, which will be a conversation between the author and Roopa Pai, children's author and journalist. The book contains stories and conversations from various resources. A work of narrative nonfiction, it is framed through biographical sketches and immersive reportage that reanimate some pivotal moments in the making of modern Karnataka. The author is an independent researcher and writer from Mysuru, and this is his debut release.

URBAN BOURBON

Hriday Ranjan

Writer, comedian

HOW TO GET BENGALURU TO WIN THIS YEAR'S IPL

The RCB squad at the Unbox event at M Chinnaswamy Stadium | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

HEARTBREAK season (also called 'summer' by the fans of teams that have already won the IPL) is here. The next two months are going to be filled with hope, anguish, and heartbreak. In its 18th year, as the IPL turns into an adult – we need to take matters into our own hands. We have tried buying players, solidifying our bowling attack, and even focusing on bowlers – but to no avail. Hence, yours truly has listed a few ways through which the Royal Challengers Bengaluru can finally watch Virat Kohli hold the IPL trophy aloft. Full disclosure – some of these methods might raise eyebrows. Pundits might call the methods unethical. But desperate times call for desperate measures. And who would choose being on top of the FairPlay awards over actually winning the tournament? And hence – ladies, gentlemen, and friends beyond the binary – here are the unconventional ways that we can finally achieve the dream of 'ee sala cup namde'.

RCB's trump card undoubtedly is Virat Kohli. He debuted in the year when the IPL began and has won every significant international trophy (apart from the IPL). After following his career for more than a decade and a half, the author has found that Kohli performs exceedingly well when the opponent is Pakistan. Make him watch his best innings against Pakistan before every match, just to bring out the beast in him. Kohli is also known for his aggression, and that's something we need to capitalise on. Instead of a stump mic, have Kohli mic'd up for the entire duration of the match. This is enough to deflate the spirits of the opponents.

Bengaluru is also the home of startups, where nearly everything can be delivered in 20 minutes (except an IPL trophy, of course). Hence, it is of importance that we use the ecosystem to our advantage. Make the opponents stay in Electronic City. Let them experience the traffic of Bengaluru as bicycles zip past them, and they wring their hands in frustration. Before the match, let the opponents have some bisibelebath or ragi mudde. How can they bowl in perfect rhythm when their bowel movements have become irregular? Make the opponents travel by Bengaluru autos. All the confusion between 'metre', 'per kilometre rates', and the calculations are enough to confuse the opponents and dishearten them.

Karnataka is rich in local art and culture. Hire huli vesha dancers from coastal Karnataka. Not only will the opponents be extremely confused with the tiger costumes (wondering if they're playing Bangladesh), but also the scary expressions and dance steps will intimidate them. Appoint real estate brokers as ball boys. Every time the ball reaches the boundary, moustached men with gold chains throw the ball back to the fielder and ask "You want 3BHK? One day moving in. Right now talk to the owner." Everytime Kohli hits the ball into the stands, collude with the spectators to ensure that the ball is lost for a while. This will increase the opponents' over rate considerably, further deflating their spirits.

Bring back de Villiers – just for the feels. Have Gayle speak to the opponents before every match. Have MNC-s declare compulsory 'work from home' on the days of RCB matches. Do anything necessary; make the entire city the Impact Player. For when the time comes to back the team – we shall do anything to ensure ee sala cup namde –whether ethically or unethically!

(*The writer's views are personal*)

When real meets surreal

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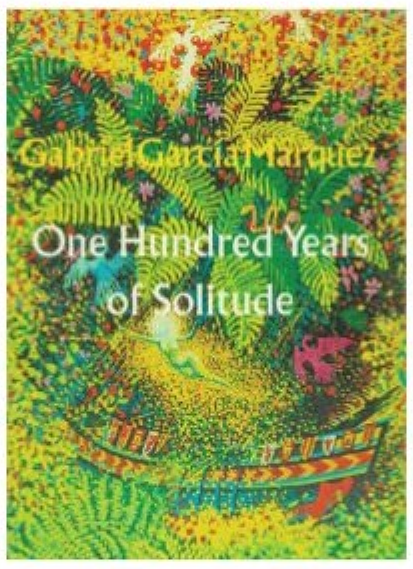
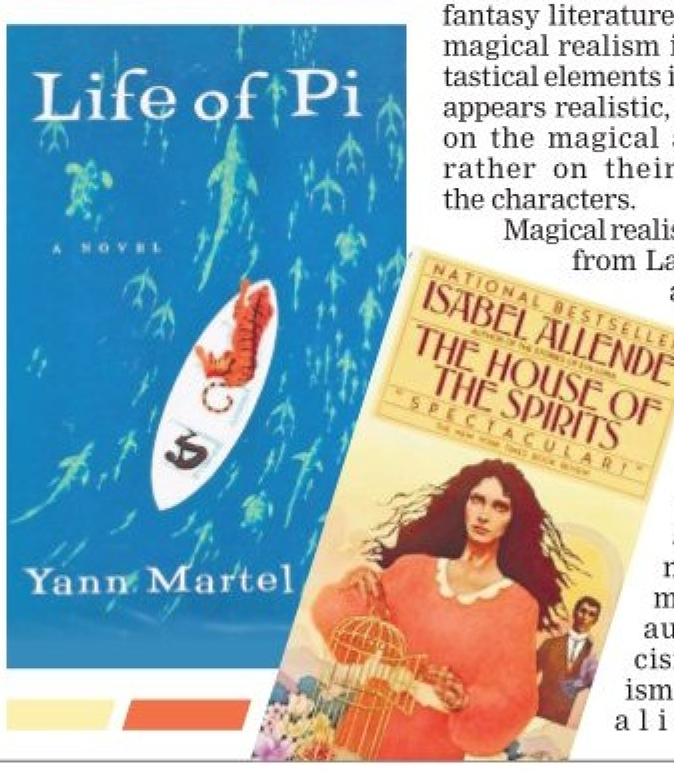
(The author is a technologist based in Silicon Valley who is gently mad about books)





MY first exposure to magical realism was reading *Life of Pi* by Yann Martel. Drawn into a world where tigers lived on boats with boys and trees bore fruit with teeth, I had to suspend all 'rational' thought and blur the lines between what is possible and what is not. It took me some time to realise the difference between fantasy and magical realism.

Harry Potter, while having elements of magical realism, presents a fully imagined magical world separate from our reality, a key characteristic of fantasy literature. In contrast, magical realism includes fantastical elements in fiction that appears realistic, focusing not on the magical aspects, but rather on their effects on the characters.

Magical realism originates from Latin America and comprises oral storytelling. The genre itself is entangled with heritage, with many of its most prized authors criticising colonialism and imperialism. By accepting fantastic elements, the narrative disregards typically Western, colonial ideals of rational modernity and values.

Some of the most popular magical realism authors include Gabriel García Márquez, Isabel Allende, Haruki Murakami, Alice Hoffman, and Salman Rushdie. García Márquez is often considered the most prominent figure in the genre, with works like *One Hundred Years of Solitude* significantly contributing to establishing magical realism as a literary style. Allende, known for novels like *The House of the Spirits*, blends reality with magical elements and often explores social and political themes.

Murakami, a Japanese author whose works often feature surreal and dreamlike elements, blends the mundane with the strange. His characters do things without reasoning or explanation, emulating a more truthful human psyche. For example, in his novel *Kafka on the Shore*, a supernatural shapeshifter takes on the form of Colonel Sanders.

Alice Hoffman incorporates magical realism into stories about family and everyday life, with *Practical Magic* being a notable example. Salman Rushdie utilises magical realism to explore complex political issues in his magnum opus *Midnight's Children*.

In *Red Earth and Pouring Rain* by Vikram Chandra, Abhay, a US student home for the holidays in India, accidentally shoots a monkey who is the reincarnation of Sanjay Parasher, a 19th-century freedom fighter. To remain alive, the monkey has to regale Abhay's family with stories of his past life as part of a deal with the gods. These tales reveal Sanjay and his estranged best friend Sikander, Sikander's mother's suicide at the funeral pyre, and Sanjay's confrontation with a famous murderer.

In *The God of Small Things* by Booker-Prize-winning Arundhati Roy, twins Estha and Rahel's lives change forever when their cousin, Sophie, arrives. Following a multi-generational family in 1969 India, the story explores caste-based discrimination and a forbidden love story, integrating elements of magical realism.

I personally feel magical realism is not just a literary genre; it is a lens through which the intricacies of the human condition are explored. It transcends geographical boundaries, inviting readers to a realm where the ordinary and banal become extraordinary.

(*The writer's views are personal*)

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PUBLIC NOTICE
CHANGE OF NAME

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We, **Syed Zaki Ahmed** S/o Late.Syed Ibrahim and Rizwanaa W/o Syed Zaki Ahmed R/a No.224, 2nd Floor, 4th A Cross, Jakkur Layout Above Med Plus, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560064. We Have Changed Our Minor Daughter Name From **AYESHA ZAKI To AISHAA.** Vide Affidavit Date: 17.03.2025. Sworn Before Notary: G.R.Ravichandra Reddy.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **TIRUMALESH.D**, S/o DAYANAND.M, Aged about 49 years, presently residing at A-304, Unique Concord, LKR Nagar Main Road, Tata Nagar, Bengaluru-560094. Have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) TIRUMALESH DESAI to (NEW NAME) TIRUMALESH.D** for all purposes vide affidavit dated 17/03/2025 sworn before advocate & Notary K.V.Nanjaiah, Sahakarnagar, Bengaluru-560092.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **VARSHA M JAIN (mother) and MUKESH P JAIN (father)** that our minor daughter NISHI M JAIN (New Name) previously called NISHI , R/at. # 172, Parasmani, 33rd Cross, 6th Main, Near Police Station, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560 011,
I have changed my minor Daughter's name from **"NISHI" to "NISHI M JAIN"** hereafter in all school records, other records, deeds, instruments etc. whatsoever use and sign the name of **"NISHI M JAIN"** only. Vide affidavit dated **15.03.2025,** sworn to before Notary, Vani.G.K

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) SAYED SANIYA BANU, residing at # 148, 9th Cross, A Block Rashad Nagar, Bangalore North, Arabic College Post Bangalore-560045, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) SAYED SANIYA BANU** to **(NEW NAME) SANIYA SYED MEHMOOD** vide affidavit dated 18.03.2025 sworn before Notary C.Sharada., Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, DASSAN AGNES RITA, resident of No.3, Muneswara Temple A Street, Coles Road Cross, Frazer Town, Bangalore-560005. i state that i have changed my name from **DASSAN AGNES RITA** to **AGNES RITA EDDY** vide affidavit dated, 18/03/2025, sworn before C.Santhosh, Notary Public at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **BHARATHI THIRUMALA** R/at No.206/7, SLV Paradise Kanakashree Layout, Hennur Road, Byrathi, Kothanur, Bengaluru- 560077 have changed my name to **BHARATHI TIRUMALA** vide affidavit dated: 17/3/2025 Before Notary **Sivakumara.M.N** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) SHAHANA PARVEEN W/o. JWO AKHTAR NAWAZ KHAN, residing at # 128, 6th Cross, Maruthi Layout, Vidyaranyapura Post, Bangalore-560097, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) SHAHANA PARVEEN** W/o. JWO AKHTAR NAWAZ KHAN to **(NEW NAME) SHAHANA KHAN** W/o. JWO AKHTAR NAWAZ KHAN vide affidavit dated 31.01.2025 sworn before Notary Sarala Kumari., Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SANTHARAM THIRUMALA** R/at No.206/7, SLV Paradise Kanakashree Layout, Hennur Road, Byrathi, Kothanur, Bengaluru- 560077 have changed my name to **SANTHARAM TIRUMALA** vide affidavit dated: 17/3/2025 Before Notary **Sivakumara.M.N** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SNEHA VEMPALLI,** C/o. **Chejarla Suresh Reddy**, R/at No.1506 7th Block, Arkavathi Layout, KV Jairam Road, Jakkur, Bengaluru - 560064, have changed my name to **SNEHA REDDY CHEJARLA,** vide affidavit dt:18.03.2025 before Notary **K.V. Mani,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SUKANYA THIRUMALA** R/at No.206/7, SLV Paradise Kanakashree Layout, Hennur Road, Byrathi, Kothanur, Bengaluru- 560077 have changed my name to **SUKANYA TIRUMALA** vide affidavit dated: 17/3/2025 Before Notary **Sivakumara.M.N** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, NAGARAJ KUKKE S/O SWAMY N.S.K (Aadhar No.8137-8970-6164) Father of YASHAS N KUKKE aged about 38 years. Residing at: No.118, 1st Floor, 20th Cross, Ittamadu, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bengaluru District, Karnataka state, Pin Code 560085. have changed my minor son's name from **YASHAS N KUKKE** to **"TOSHIK NAGARAJ KUKKE",** vide affidavit dated 18/3/2025 sworn to before M.Rajendra Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **ZULFIKAR PASHA**, FATHER OF SAHIL PASHA, RESIDING AT : NO.30, 6THCROSS,RAMA TENT ROAD, VENKATESHPURAM, ARABIC COLLEGE POST, BENGALURU-560045, ON BEHALF OF MY MINOR SON HAVE CHANGED MY SON'S OLD NAME **"SAHIL PASHA"** TO NEW NAME **"AREEB PASHA"** VIDE AFFIDAVIT DATED 17-03-2025, BEFORE THE NOTARY **SIVAKUMARA M .N,** BANGALORE METROPOLITAN AREA, FOR ALL OFFICIAL AND LEGAL PURPOSES, ESPECIALLY FOR HIS PASSPORT.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, SALOMI YESWANTH, Aged about 66 years, residing at No. 7, 1st Main Road SK Garden Benson Town Post, Bengaluru, Karnataka 560046, have changed my name from **DANIEL SALOMI YESWANTH to SALOMI YESWANTH** vide affidavit dated: 18.03.2025 sworn before advocate and notary Uday Kumar. K, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **BOOPATHI ANNAMALAI**, residing at A403, Club Meadows, House of Hiranandani, Begur, Bengaluru 560068, have changed the name of my minor daughter from **B RITHIKA** to **RITHIKA BOOPATHI** vide Affidavit Dated: 17/03/2025, sworn before Notary **S.SAMUEL SOLOMON,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **NALINIKUMARI T.S,** W/o. Dharmesha H.V, residing at #198, 4th Floor, 14th B Cross Road, 9th Main, 6th Sector, HSR Layout, Bengaluru 560102, have changed my name to **NALINI DHARMESHA**, vide Affidavit Dated: 17/03/2025,sworn before Notary **MEER HASSAN,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **JANAKI BANGALORE NANJUNDAN,** D/o Nanjundan B.R, aged about 36 years, R/at Flat No. 001, 2nd Main, Sai Sumukha Swis Lights, J.P. Nagar 7th Phase, Bengaluru-560 078 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **JANAKI LOKANATHAN ARCOT** to **JANAKI BANGALORE NANJUNDAN,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **JANAKI BANGALORE NANJUNDAN** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 17th March 2025, sworn before Advocate and Notary **D.K. RAMESHAPPA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, ARJUN SINGH, Army No 8036718M, Rank NK, permanent residing at No 624 Kanasiya, Kanasiya Post, Kanasiya Dist, Ujjain Madhya Pradesh 456770, and Currently residing at PCTC, Jai Jawan Nagar Banswadi M.S Ngar Post, Bangalore 560 033, have changed my son's name from **ADITYA PATEL to AADITYA PATEL** vide affidavit dated: 18.03.2025 sworn before advocate and notary Uday Kumar. K, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **V RAMANJULU NAIDU**, aged about 47 years, R/at No. 436, Flat No. 401, 1st Main, 3rd Cross, Near Sadhana Collge, BHCS Layout, Uttarahalli, Subramanyapura, Bangalore-560 061 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **VUPPALAPATI RAMANJULU** to **V RAMANJULU NAIDU,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **V RAMANJULU NAIDU** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 18-03-2025, sworn before Advocate and Notary **S.N. MADHU** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MEGHANA VIJAYAKUMARA** (Old Name), aged about 19 years, W/o. KIRAN SRIDHARA, RESIDING AT NO,1141,MIG,2ND STAGE,16TH CROSS, B SECTOR,, YELAHANKA NEW TOWN, BENGALURU-560064, KARNATAKA, declare that I have changed my name from **MEGHANA VIJAYAKUMARA** (Old Name) to **MEGHANA VIJAY KUMAR** (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called as **MEGHANA VIJAY KUMAR** (New Name) for all my personal, official & legal purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 17/03/2025 before Notary **GANGARAJU.B.N.** at BENGALURU

AFFIDAVIT
I, **BADUMANDA ARUNA**, S/o. B T Uthappa, aged about 63 years, present address No. #585, Kaveri Kupa, 2nd Cross, Behind Multiplex Theater, Marathahalli, Bangalore, Karnataka-560037, India, and my permanent address : Kirundadu Village, Parane Post, South Kodagu, Kadugu District, Karnataka, do hereby declare that **BADUMANDA ARUNA, BADAMANDE ARUNA, B ARUNA, ARUNA B** and **ARUN B** belong to the same **BADUMANDA ARUNA** only, vide affidavit dated 17.03.2025, sworn to before Y.R. Chandrashekar, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SOMASHEKAR NAIDU E**, S/o. E Chalapathi Naidu, Residing at 23, 2nd Cross 15th Main Dollars Colony, Devapp Garden, Nagashettyhalli, Bangaluru 560094, hereby declare that my names **ERRI SOMASHEKAR NAIDU** and **SOMASHEKAR NAIDU E**, belongs to one and the same person, henceforth, I have decided to continue my name in future as **SOMASHEKAR NAIDU E**, vide Affidavit dated 17.03.2025 sworn before advocate and notary Smt. A. Manjula, Bangalore

AFFIDAVIT
I, **PUSHKAR HARAPANHALLI**, Aged about 34 years, S/o Sri. Gururaj .T, Residing at Sapthagiri Residency, 6 Ft 305, 4th Floor, 7th Main, 6th Cross, Rajeev Layout, Padmanabhanagar, BSK 3rd Stage, Bengaluru - 560 085, Karnataka, do hereby declare that, **PUSHKAR GURURAJ HARAPANHALLI** and **PUSHKAR HARAPANHALLI** both the names pertain to one and the same person that is **PUSHKAR HARAPANHALLI** vide affidavit dated 15.03.2025 sworn to before H.G. Padmanabha Rao, Advocate & Notary Public, Government of India, Bengaluru

AFFIDAVIT
I, **MANIYAMMA K**, aged about 58 years, W/o. Sri Munirathnam, residing at E-Mathyam, Thavanam Palli, Chittor, Diguva Magham, Chittor, Andhrapradesh-5171129 and presently residing at Vallabha Nagar, Uttarahalli, Subramanyapura Post, Bengaluru-560061, Karnataka, do hereby declare that my name is mentioned as **MANIKYAMMA K** but there is no linkage proof for the Initial **'K'** so I hereby declare in future my name will be as **MANIKYAMMA K** only and hereby requesting concerned authority to consider my name as **MANIKYAMMA K**, vide affidavit dated 18.03.2025, sworn to before H.G. Padmanabha Rao, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RAMACHANDRA MUDIYANOOR LAKSHMINARAYANA RAO**, aged about 68 years, S/o. Lakshminarayana Rao Mudiyanoor, Swathi Nilaya, 1st Main, 1s Cross, Kalidasa Layout, Veebhuthipura, Kolar-563101, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **MUDINOOR LAKSHMIAH RAMACHANDRA** to **RAMACHANDRA MUDIYANOOR LAKSHMINARAYANA RAO,** vide affidavit dated 18.03.2025, sworn to before K.V. Mani, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Mrs. AMBIKA DEVI RAKKANATH**, W/o. Salil Ravindran, resident of 40 LA Grove Near Ryan School Brookfield Kundalahalli, Bangalore-560037, do hereby declare that I have changed my minor daughter name from **NIRANJANA SALIL NAIR** to **NIRANJANA NAIR,** vide affidavit dated 18.03.2025, sworn to before K.V. Mani, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
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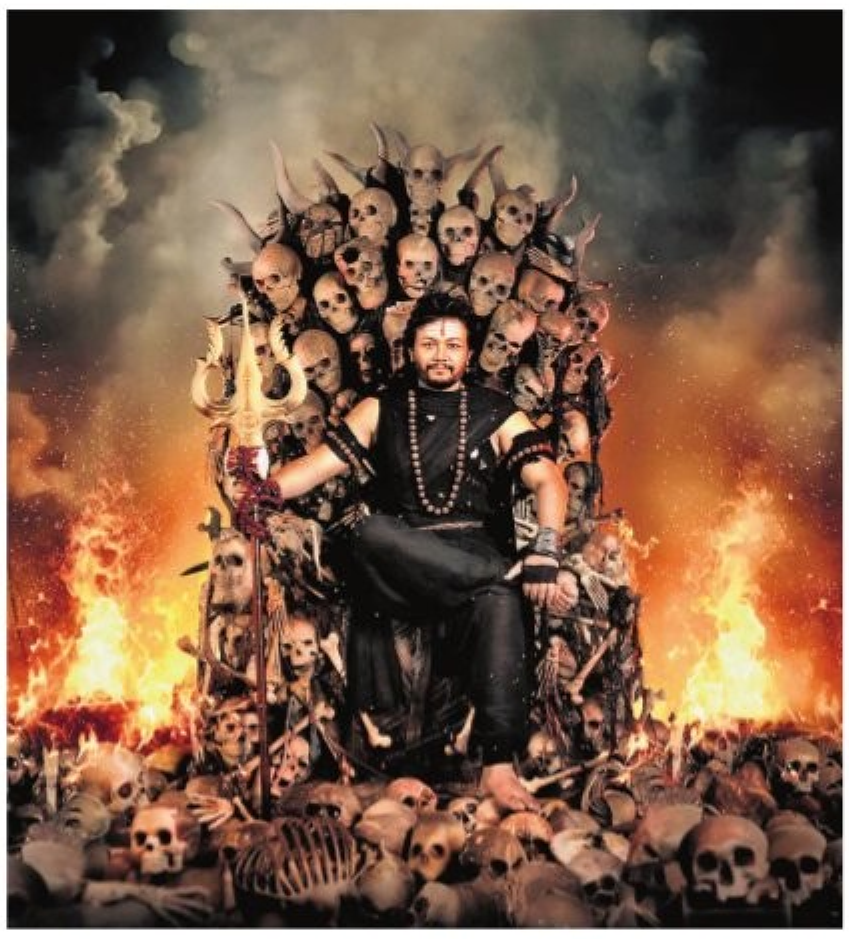
Made in Kannada-Telugu under People Media Factory, directed by Dhananjay, featuring Ganesh in unique shades, *Pinaka* includes a fierce tribal king from 600 years ago with a big ensemble cast

GANESH IS SET TO RAISE NEW STANDARDS WITH *PINAKA*

A SHARADHAA

LOOKS like Ganesh is working towards reclaiming his golden era. After the resounding success of Krishnam Pranaya Sakhi, the actor has been meticulously curating his next big films and has lined up some exciting projects. Enter *Pinaka*, a film that stands as one of his most ambitious projects yet. This unique venture to be made in Kannada and Telugu marks the directorial debut of Dhananjay, and judging by the initial hints of the content, the project promises a blend of cultural richness with modern flair.



A bold new avatar for Ganesh

Ganesh, known for his versatility, is set to appear in a never-seen-before avatar. The first poster itself has teased a bold transformation, giving us a glimpse of the actor in a daring new look. The film explores cultural themes while fusing in contemporary elements, and Ganesh is pushing boundaries for *Pinaka*. As sources reveal, Ganesh's role will encompass multiple shades, with one of his portrayals taking audiences 600 years back in time, where he'll be seen in the fierce persona of a tribal king.

EXPANDING STAR CAST: Jagapathi Babu and Sunil join the ensemble

Adding to the excitement, the film's ensemble cast is expanding with notable South Indian stars. *Pinaka* will feature popular actors Jagapathi Babu and Sunil, both of whom are set to join the project. Alongside them, Nayan Sarika will take on the role of the female lead. However, official confirmations are still awaited.

A GRAND VISION: A massive 8-acre set and meticulous planning

The makers of *Pinaka*, produced by TG Vishwaprasad under People Media Factory, are sparing no expense with a grand vision for the film. A massive 8-acre set is being constructed near Nelamangala, showcasing the scale and ambition of the project. The makers are determined to craft something extraordinary—a vision that has been in the groundwork for over two and a half years and has just begun shooting. With meticulous planning, the team is leaving no stone unturned in creating a unique experience, and Ganesh is all set to raise new standards with *Pinaka*.

Hombale Films to distribute *L2: Empuraan* in Karnataka

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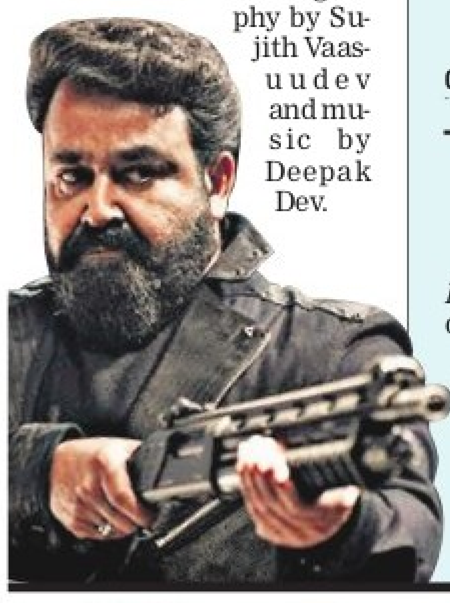
HOMBALE Films, the noted production company behind massive pan-India hits like *KGF* and Kantara, will be distributing the much-awaited film *L2: Empuraan* in Karnataka. This film is part of the Lucifer franchise and marks the return of Mohanlal, Prithviraj Sukumaran, Manju Warrier, and Tovino Thomas, among others. Directed by Prithviraj himself, the film is set to be a thrilling political drama, and has generated immense excitement among fans ahead of its release on March 27. On Tuesday, the film's makers also announced that it will release on IMAX, thus becoming the first Malayalam film to do so.

The partnership between Hombale Films and Prithviraj has proven to be a strong and evolving one. In the past, Prithviraj played a pivotal role in distributing Hombale's successful films *KGF: Chapter 1*, *KGF: Chapter 2*, and Kantara in Kerala, which helped expand their reach in the region. In return, Hombale Films recently distributed Prithviraj's acclaimed film Aadujeevitham (*The Goat Life*) in Karnataka, further solidifying their strong collaboration.

The bond between Hombale Films and Prithviraj is set to grow, with Prithviraj featuring in Hombale's action film *Salaar 2*, where he reprises his role of Varadha Raja Mannar, and directing a highly anticipated project, Tyson, under the banner.

L2: Empuraan will be released in Karnataka across five languages—Kannada, Malayalam, Hindi, Telugu, and Tamil—ensuring a pan-Indian cinematic experience. This action-packed political thriller has cinematography by Sujith Vaasuudev and music by Deepak Dev.



THE KIDS ARE NOT ALRIGHT

Film: **Adolescence**

CINEMA WITHOUT **BORDERS**

In this weekly column, the writer introduces you to powerful cinema from across the world

NAMRATA JOSHI

THE first thing I did after watching *Adolescence* was call up my young niece, urging her to check it out immediately. The British crime drama mini-series, streaming on Netflix, is an authentic, searing portrayal of the hardships of growing up in an age when the digital world and social media don't just overshadow the real but manipulate and maul it in disquieting ways. It also speaks to the guardians in all of us, aware of the stresses that today's young must face and anxious for not being able to help and support them effectively enough. It's about the worst of our nightmares getting real.

13-year-old Jamie Miller (Owen Cooper) is accused of the murder of his classmate Katie. As the cops, solicitor, therapist and family try to piece together the puzzle—what really happened, why and how—the sordid, disturbing details come to the fore in a most agonising way. Directed by Philip Barantini and co-written by Jack Thorne and Stephen Graham, who also plays Jamie's dad, Eddie Miller, *Adolescence* is being talked about the most for the ingenuity of shooting every episode in real-time and in a single take. How would it have been accomplished and what would it have entailed, not just when it comes to the technical teams behind the camera, especially cinematographer Matthew Lewis, but also the brilliant ensemble (props to casting director Shaheen Baig) being filmed.

I remember Alfred Hitchcock's 1957 film Rope being cited very often as having been made up of four long takes. A detail not quite true. In its case, the magic of editing helped create the impression of long takes by expertly fusing several short scenes together. In the case of *Adolescence* shooting in single take is not just a fact but this one-take wonder also goes beyond being a mere technique. Throughout the four episodes, I was drawing parallels with the sense of propulsion in the works of Tamil filmmaker PS Vinothraj, how the camera makes the audience travel along with the characters, bringing them right inside the film, be it Koozhangal or Kottukkaali. The single-take strategy in *Adolescence* also goes a long way in literally pulling the audience into the series, not just having them stay invested in the proceedings but making the viewing itself a curiously participative act. It's as though *Adolescence* is all about a crime for which everyone stands collectively indicted, including the audience on the other side of the screen.

In that sense *Adolescence* is not just about crime and punishment or an investigation or police procedural. For me, it became all about an odd question: what if Ken Loach were to make a crime thriller? I found a Loach heart beating deep inside *Adolescence* when it comes to the working-class characters and their accents, the domestic setting, the social realism, the shabbiness and grime, the needs and wants of life and the traumas, frustrations, helplessness and rage motivating the key people. A kitchen-sink drama updated for the contemporary, virtual, social media times. There are some outstanding moments that break you into pieces and they linger on, in your mind for long—the matter-of-fact and seemingly heartless way with which a minor is taken into detention, the humiliation of strip search he gets subjected to, the helplessness of the teachers in dealing with unruly students, the detective inspector's son making him aware of the world of cyberbullying, incel culture, toxic manosphere, Andrew Tate and online radicalisation of the impressionable minds. Gen Z offers wisdom to Gen X than the other way around.

At the centre of the action is the stunning third episode—it literally stuns you into silence—in which the psychiatrist Briony Ariston (Erin Doherty) has a long conversation with Jamie during which his hidden demons, paranoia, aggression and anger come tumbling out to leave the therapist shaking and trembling herself. The violence of the innocent, if one could call it that.

Doherty is terrific as Ariston. But it's Cooper and Graham who hit it out of the park. Next year, in an ideal world, where age wouldn't matter, 15-year-old Cooper and 51-year-old Graham should both be nominated for all the acting awards possible. Tough, however, to fathom who to pick of the two. Long after having viewed the series, I am still haunted by the son and the father.

Chandan Shetty-Navarasan's *Suthradaari* locks release date

Team Suthradaari

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KIRAN Kumar's directorial debut *Suthradaari*, backed by Navarasan Productions, is all set to hit theatres on May 9. The film stars Chandan Shetty, a rapper-turned-actor, in the lead role, along with Apurva as the female lead, with Sanjana Anand making a special song appearance. The release date was announced by the team, with producers Chetan Gowda, Mune Gowda, and Rajesh in attendance, all wishing for the film's success.

Producer Navarasan, expressing his gratitude, also shared his journey in the industry. "I am not just a producer and director, but also a distributor. I've distributed nearly 200 films. While many films have been releasing almost every week, I held off on releasing my own until now. Today, I'm announcing the date 90 days in advance," he said.

Chandan Shetty, reflecting on his debut as a lead actor, shared his excitement: "This role has brought significant changes to my life. I've been eagerly awaiting the release date announcement, and it's finally here. The songs have already crossed millions of views, and I hope the film follows suit."

Director Kiran Kumar, also proud of his mentor PKH Das as the cinematographer, added, "I'm extremely happy with how the film has turned out." The cast includes Ganesh Narayan, Prashanth Natana, Meera Shree, Sushmitha, and Pallavi.

A still from the film

We used to get shields after 25 weeks of release; now it's about 25 days: Ravichandran

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THE makers of *Bhuvanam Gaganam* recently held an event celebrating the 25-day run of the film in theatres. The team behind *Bhuvanam Gaganam* includes director Gireesh Mulimani, producer Mune Gowda, and composer Ajaneesh Loknath, as well as actors Promod, Dia Pruthvi Ambaar, and Rachel Daid. The film was released on Valentine's Day. During the celebration, Crazy Star Ravichandran said, "Going by today's scenario in the film industry, laughter is hard to come by, but here we are, all smiling." The event also saw the presence of directors Suni and Chethan, along with the cast and crew. Ravichandran went on to say, "People often claim that moviegoers are no longer going to theatres, but when a film is good, they will come. Premaloka was once proof of that. The key is to make people smile, and *Bhuvanam Gaganam* has succeeded in doing so to some extent."

Pruthvi Ambaar, Mune Gowda, Ravichandran and Pramod

Ravichandran also mentioned the importance of a positive atmosphere in the industry: "With 40 films being released at frequent intervals, traffic jams are becoming inevitable. The film industry needs a more positive environment. We've lost the joy of watching films with pride. In the past, we used to receive shields after completing 25 weeks, but now, it's about celebrating after just 25 days. It's a fresh start," he said, wishing the team continued success and hoping their journey will keep moving forward.